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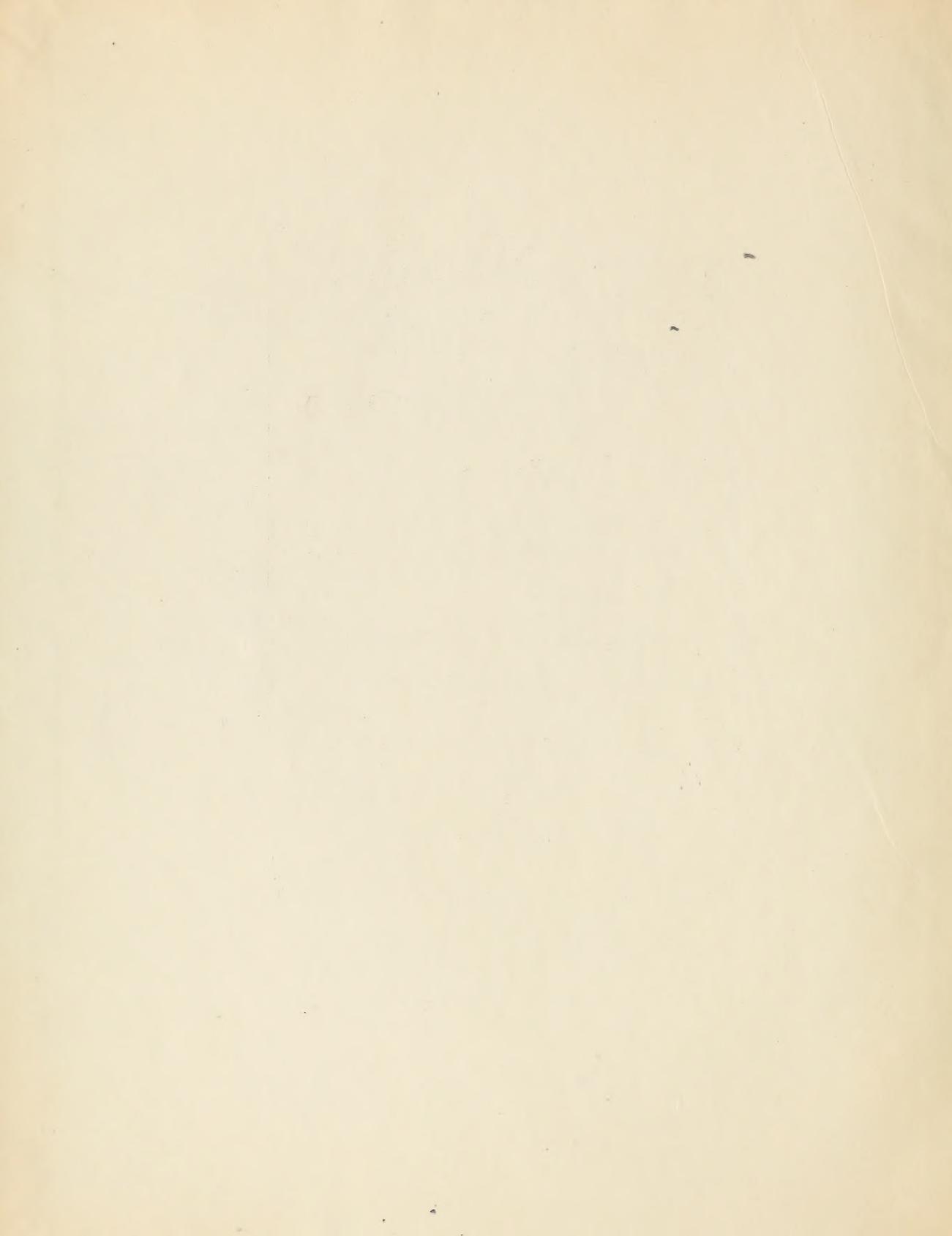
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4/5/47 SATURDAY:

A terribly rainy day - was raining hard when I got up about 7:45 & rained hard more all day. I put the cabinet door back on first thing & then helped Mary with breakfast - after breakfast I went back to work painting the kitchen cupboard - Mary took Babs & May Lou over to Brigginston for their dancing lesson at 11:00 - didn't get back until about 1:00 - I got a good start on putting the live coals on the kitchen. Helped Mary some with lunch & then did some more work on the kitchen this afternoon. Mary went down town & did some shopping - I had her get me some macaroni paint for the kitchen at Hill's & McLean this morning - a gallon of White Macaroni $\$9.80$. That is a terrible price - but if it is good stuff it will be worth it. Babs & May Lou spent most of the afternoon painting Easter eggs - they did a swell job on them. I helped Mary with supper - the kitchen was sort of a mess with me painting in it. Did the dishes after supper & then scrubbed the floor & the cellar steps - they sure were plenty dirty. Mary had called Mr. Taylor of the Franklin Oil Burner place

in Binghamton - he called back this evening - I had quite a chat with him & tentively ordered an oil burner to ~~be~~ ^{\$1} installed this summer - it will cost me 395.00. Mary & I went over to Fran & Jim Stanton's to-night - left about 8:30 - Fran & Jim had a party for Carrie & Powell May who are down from Rochester to spend the weekend with them. Bernie & Max Hayes, Marge & Bob Parmalee & three other couple, all relatives of Marge & Bob came with them - which made up the party - it was a funny group. We danced in their basement - Ah Yes - Glebe & Midge Watts were there - Glebe taught us how to do a square set & we also danced the Virginia Reel - it was sort of fun. Fran had a real spread for us about 1:00 - hamburger cake & coffee. Mary & I didn't get home until after 2:00 - To bed 2:30.

4/6/47 SUNDAY:

A beautiful day for Easter - it just couldn't have been nicer. Warm & bright. Got up at 7:30 - had to hurry around to be ready to go down to Sunday School at 9:30. Helped Mary with breakfast &

washed the kitchen floor. It was so nice out I decided to wash the car - only had about 25 minutes - I actually hosed it off & sprayed it down in 22 minutes. Boy - I sure did a fast job on it. I really got in a lull two hours but was ready for Sunday School at 9:30 - Dame Bitty stopped in to get the girls but I told him we were going down. Mary, Barb, Mary Lou & I all went to Sunday School - we had a joint Easter Service - all church meeting in the church auditorium - it was almost a full church. We all stayed to Church - they were expecting a real crowd - Clarence Manning had set up his P.A. System & had the loud speaker in the basement - where they had seats all arranged to take care of the overflow from the church itself. This was the first they had ever done that. The church was packed but I learned afterward that only 5 people sat in the basement. Henry gave a really wonderful Easter Sermon - he sure gave his all to put over a real message on "The difference Easter makes" Mary & I waited after church to see Della, she had a new hat with rose buds all over it, quite a breath of spring. We didn't get home until about 12:45. Bob Miner was here

with the part I had ordered from Poughkeepsie
for our typewriter in the office. — I put on my
old clothes & jinx as I got down cellar to
finish the job of mopping up the floor. Dame
Bibby stopped in with a new Eastman 35 camera.
He wanted me to help him & give him a
lesson on how to use it. I loaded it for
him & also took a couple of pictures with it.
It is a nice little camera. We had to hurry
with dinner to get Babe & Mary Fox out to the
Country Club for the Easter Party — as soon as I
finished eating I dressed & drove them out to the
club at 2:00. Called Ron Tutwill from the club
about borrowing a projector — he didn't have it at home
so I gave up the idea of getting it. Also called Ray
Davis & told him I didn't use the lawn roller yesterday.
Ray told me Ann had a cold so they weren't com-
ing to the Easter Party — Ray asked me to get
an Easter Basket for Ann so I got one from
Frank Johnston — Vice Pres. of the Club. Dame stopped
out to the club with Caroline & Martha — I took them
in & got them seated with Babe & Mary Fox.
Drove back home — got Ray's lawn roller out &
put some water in it to weight it down and
rolled the lawn all except a small part that
was too wet. It took me about an hour

& a half - I was just all in when I got finished. Mary had laid down for a nap. After I cooled off I cleaned up a bit & about 4:15 Paul & Viola Taber and Billie & Mary arrived. I had to get Babs & Mary Lou so we all got into the Buick & drove on to the Country Club. The Easter Party was over - Babs & Mary Lou were waiting in the upper lounge for us - Mary Lou had won one of the children games, carrying an egg on a spoon & had gotten a beautiful big basket with a bunny & a lot of eggs. She was very pleased. I got some pictures of the girls coming out of the Club. Came home - took a couple more pictures - it had gotten very windy so we didn't stay outside long. Showed the folks the train platform, Billie got a big kick out of it, but it was a bit too complicated for him to run - he seemed a bit afraid of the controls. Had a nice chat with Paul & got up to date on a lot of the Jr. Chamber matters. - I believe Paul feels I haven't helped him enough this year - I somehow got this idea - I told him there were plenty of good fellows who are still Jr. Chamber age who he should stir into action. Mary had a swell supper for us - beans & cold cuts. After supper Paul & I looked over some Jr. Chamber files I

brought home from the office - Paul took some of the things with him. I showed the film the movies & slides I took on my trip to Edmonton last June. Paul & his family left about 9:15 - I put on old clothes & helped Mary with the dishes - took out the garbage & ashes. Then read the Sunday Paper. To bed 11:20. Oh Yer! Mary made sort of a birthday party out of supper - she had gotten a big birthday cake for me over town & we had it for supper.

4/17/47 MONDAY:

My 37th. Birthday - A dull cold day - what a change from Yesterday. It was up to around 70 Yesterday & it was down to about 40 this morning again. Up at 7:00 - Drove down to the office at 8:15 - had a very busy morning - set in on part of the Induction Session for new employees at 9:00 - Walt Harris came over & talked to the group - it was the first induction session we have had in several months. Received a letter from Henry L. A. Forestal this morning - along with a carbon of a letter he had written to Mr. Walton asking that Olson, Mr. Almon

I attend the Apprenticeship Conv. in Vermont in June - I showed the letter to Van & he suggested I talk with Marvin, which I did. He agreed I should write Forestal & tell him Mary was representing IBM at the convention. I drove home at 12:00 & had lunch with Mary & the girls - I got a birthday card from Betty & from Mable. Had some more of my birthday cake for lunch - it was up set my reducing diet. After lunch I drained the water out of the lawn roller & loaded it into the trunk of the car. Mary & the girls went with me - I took it back to Jarrow - drove back around by Forestal & on to Edison - I got back to the Office about 1:30. - Ah Yer - I called Major Almon this morning about the letter from Forestal - he had received me too. Major had a bad cold - didn't feel well so I told him to go home & rest. About 4:30 Otto called from W.H.Q. - I had read he had left for Hoboken Ward. but I guess he doesn't leave until to-night. Duoyee has a very dozen different ones from on Dept. of Edu. on the phone - He has called Blasius first & I was called on to Blasius Office to talk with him - I asked him about the letter from Forestal - he said

he had talked with him on the phone. Boy! Arton me doesn't like Forrestal - he assured me I wouldn't have to attend the conference & he want either. Dwayne had some things to take up with me - first the American Association for Adult Education at West Point on May 12 to 15 - had to be changed as far as our representative were concerned. He is afraid we may be criticized if all of our Gen. Eds. Group attended & asked me to change the plan and have only two attend. I told Dwayne I had just made definite plans to combine our Spring Work Conference with the group while we were at West Point. He suggested I have the work conference at Endicott. You all of those plans had to be changed. He also told me about a discussion he had had with Mrs. Watson in which he voiced his displeasure of our language training - he claimed we haven't trained enough people in Foreign Languages and instructed Arton to have one or more classes in Foreign language started at W. H. P. by the time they have the last stockholder meeting the last of this month. Dwayne asked me to see Daly as soon as possible to get things lined up.

Dwayne is leaving by plane this evening to fly to the West Coast - to Spokane, Wash. I drove ~~home~~ Mary stopped down for me at 5:00 - I told her about Elmer Hall & planned with her to drive her & the children down to N.J. to-morrow & go on in to N.Y.C. As soon as I got home - I put on my old clothes & went to work on the kitchen - Took all the cabinets down & took the hard varnish off of them. Finished up putting on the flat white on the doors. Then after supper I went to work on the inside of the cabinets with a coat of semi-gloss. I like to paint but it sure takes a lot of time. Mary spent most of the evening ironing. She called Mother to-night & told her we would be down to-morrow night. We were a bit surprised that the call went thru since the telephone workers were on strike to-day. Mary said a man had handled the call thru the N.Y.C. exchange - apparently the operators are on a strike. I painted until about 11:00 - then cleaned up & got some things ready to leave for N.J. to-morrow. To bed 11:30.

4/8/47 TUESDAY:

Clear to-day but cool - got up about 7:00 - packed my bag before leaving for the office at 8:00. Went over to see Van join ~~thinking~~ this morning & told him about Arton's call last evening or ~~yesterday~~ afternoon about my plan to drive down to N. J. and to the W.H.Q. to see Drew Day tomorrow. Van approved the whole plan & gave me some suggestion on starting the language classes at W.H.Q. - Van & I got talking about the matter of building - he still hopes to build as soon as he can get materials. I took the opportunity to ask his advice on the matter of joining our home - asked him what he thought about our selling some of our IBM Stock - ~~Mary~~ has been talking about selling 20 shares to ~~pay~~ pay off part of the home. Jack said he certainly wouldn't advise selling IBM Stock - he thought it might not look good for one in my position, in fact he advised my buying some stock - that is a share now & then just to show good faith in the company. Jack said he thought I had great opportunity with IBM & that I would be very foolish to do anything that would

jeopardize my opportunities. He even predicted I would be the next Dean of Education at Endicott. I told him - he was kidding, but that it was an interesting idea. — I was surprised to hear Jack say that when Ed Titus had sold some IBM Stock - he was called in by one of the executives & asked why he was selling it. Jack also advised me to write Mr. Philby if we sold the stock & tell him why we sold it. I told him better yet I would try to see Mr. Philby while in N.Y.C. to-morrow. — At 9:00 we had a big school opening — actually 3 different groups — a customer class — a group of customer engineers from the field & 12 new engineering students. Walt Harsin spoke & Davison conducted the meeting. — I saw Bessie Buckler to-day again — Edna is still down at Parker Hospital & has been very ill — but is recovering — had a couple of questions. Had a busy day — drove home at 12:00 for lunch & got things lined up to leave for N.J. Returned to the office about 1:30. Got out letters to my training men at the various locations announcing the change in the plans for our spring meeting. I got a piece of plastic — trunks, from Bill Stoye for Jack Maxine. Left the office about 3:45 — drove home

Mary & the girls helped me pack the car - we took the two duck back to N.J. Took some pictures of them out on the beachtop. We left about 4:15 - got in some of the workers traffic going thru Binghamton - so I didn't make much time. It was a beautiful afternoon & evening - we stopped at the Purple Cow in Scranton for supper. My eyes bothered me some so I had Mary drive from there home. Got down to Mother Vi about 9:15 - I called Fairbairn to check on the time the train left for N.Y.C. to-morrow morning. Called Dad & got Russ - drove down to see Dad, Betty & Russ for a few minutes - stopped at Walt's & got some ice cream for the girls. I'm afraid she was off my diet again - Mother had some fresh peach pie & I couldn't resist it. Jack was pleased with the size of cake I had gotten for him. He showed me the new pedestal grinder he had gotten. Jack has several new sign projects under way. Did some writing - & to bed 11:30.

4/9/47 WEDNESDAY:

A very rainy day - got up at 5:45, Mary got up & made me a cup of coffee. About 6:40 Mary drove me down to the Lebanon Station. It was raining so I waited in the car. Got the 6:55 train - Sam Leigh still commutes into N.Y. City every day - I sat with Sam and had quite a chat - got up to date on the old home town - Sam didn't have anything good to say about it - he sure is a pessimist. It was still raining when we got in Jersey City - took the bus over to Liberty Street. At N.Y.C. by 8:20 - I took a taxi up to Times Square & killed some time - then took a bus over to Madison Ave. & another taxi up to W.H.Q. - got there at 9:30. Ray Jawin was there with Drew Daily. I had Ray & Drew go down to the Club Room where we had a session on the matter of starting language classes at W.H.Q. There seemed to be a lot of problems to run into. Ray & I stopped up to see Eleanor John about some correspondence and while there Mr. Kirk came by & said he wanted to see both of us in his office. Ray & I thought we were in for a real

session explaining why we were both in N.Y.C. We had to wait about an hour to get in to see Kirk. Lewis was with him. — We were both pleased to learn that he really wanted to see us about some material Chamberlin had given him — Ray had told me Chamberlin was coming in to see Kirk this morning about serving on some committee. Charlie did ask us why we were both away from Endicott — asked whether we were tired of the scenery in Endicott — I told Charlie why we were both there & he seemed satisfied with the reasons. I took the opportunity to ask his opinion on the matter of starting language classes. He took Ray & I to task on the language classes for awhile — but did give me his ideas which was what I wanted. All in all we had a very pleasant session with Kirk — in fact it was one of the most pleasant sessions I ever had with him. Ray went back to State Pennsylvania to the meeting of the N.Y. Vocational & Practical Arts Association. Drew told me Ray's talk went over very well yesterday but there were only about 25 people present. Drew & I saw Garland Briggs and had quite a

session with him - got his idea on the language
closer - also asked him about clean room space
in the house on 56th St. - Garland sure is a good
sport - he really gave us some help - made a
number of very good suggestions. He is very
much interested. — Ah Yer! Kirk brought
up a matter this morning that was a bit
embarrassing. He asked Ray & I whether we had
a picture of Vice Pres. Nichols in our office. I had
to tell Kirk that no I had taken it down.
He asked me why & I told him I had
seen his picture taken down other places so
I simply followed suit. Kirk then said that
somewhere in the field someone had gotten
the idea that an order had been issued to
take all of them down - he was quite dis-
turbed about this. He also mentioned that
Starbuck had told someone in the field to take
the pictures down. I told him I knew nothing
about that. Apparently Watson had become
disturbed about seeing Nichols pictures missing.
Drew & I had lunch in the cafeteria - ate
with Garland. After lunch we returned to Drew's
office & I called Raymond & had a nice chat
with him about Herbert - he had received the
test I sent him & was also very much

pleased with the letter I sent Dr. Hutchinson. Called Mr. Philpotts & asked to see him - had a chance to spend a few minutes with him in which I asked his advice about repairing the house. Of course he advised me very emphatically not to sell any of our IBM Stock. I was a little disappointed in Mr. Philpotts - he seemed terribly cold & distant, seemed as though he was trying to impress me with his importance which really wasn't necessary. He had to hurry to an executive meeting so I didn't have long with him. I do value his advice - he suggested we have Mother take a mortgage & then borrow money on our IBM Stock. That way it would help Mother & also that interest would reduce our taxes. Tried to see Kirk this P.M. about the house on 56th St. but he was tied up. Ruby called back & suggested I send him a memo since he would probably be tied up all day to-morrow too. Ray Davis called back & told me there was no definite program at the Annual Dinner of the N.Y. State Vocational & Practical Arts Association ^{to-night} so I decided not to go. Charlie Love called & asked me to go to dinner with him so I accepted. Drew & I had

a busy afternoon on the language class situation. Saw Mr. Wilson & Mr. Sabo in the World Trade Div. & had quite a chat. They were both interested & are calling the whole dept. to gether to-morrow to tell them of the two classes - one in Spanish & one in French. Drew & I decided we could start an advanced class in lots of the subjects. He already had the names of several employees who had enrolled in advanced courses but they were never offered. After getting all of our ideas together it looked quite hopeful - Drew contacted Dr. Eichner & he is getting an instructor from Columbia - Drew thinks he will be able to start the two classes next week - which will be well ahead of the date for the Stockholder Meeting which is the 29th. I called a man at the Veterans Administration Office in N.Y.C., a Mr. Marquette, & got further help on interpretation of the laws on benefits to Veterans for the General Letter. I was surprised to learn from Drew that Norm Collister had been put out as Sales Manager of the E.T. Div. and that Wissner Miller at N.Y.C. had been made Sales Manager. Drew also told me that Dawson who was Norm's asst. was leaving since he didn't get the job. I was surprised to hear

that Miller got it. Went up to Charlie's
Law office about 5:45 - he had several
fellow to see so I had to wait awhile.
We finally got out about 6:30 - Charlie
has a very nice office on the 16th. floor.
It was the first I had been in it. He
gave me one of his friendly bowling out
for being not stopped in to see him before.
Charlie & I walked around to a little Steak
Shop on 58th. St. for dinner. Had a fairly
good steak. Charlie is living in an apartment
& his family is up in the country at Borden
until they can get into their new home at
Englewood on the Hudson in about a
month. I enjoyed the chat with Charlie - he
is all thrilled about the \$395.00. Leila the guy
in Chicago gave him when he left - also
he has a new Buick Road Master on order -
expects to get it in a few weeks. I asked
Charlie about Norm Collier but he didn't have
much to say. He simply said - you
know they have been having a lot of
trouble with the typewriter. - It looks to
me that Norm was the fall guy. I
sure was sorry to hear it! After eating
Charlie & I walked around a bit - it was

too late for me to get the 7:30 bus so I decided to get a train at 8:35. Charlie & I did a little window shopping - had a look at some foreign cars. Charlie didn't have anything particularly to do - said he thought he would go back to the office & do some work. I left about 8:00 - took the IRT subway down town. Charlie walked over to the Subway entrance with me. Got off at Fulton St. & walked over to the ~~Liberty~~ St. Ferry. Had time to call Mary to ask her to meet me at Somerville. With the telephone strike on I was surprised that I could get the call thru - I had some difficulty but it did go thru. The 8:48 train out of Jersey City - stopped at just about every crossroad on the way out to Somerville - got on there about 10:06 - Mary & Mother pulled into the Somerville station just as the train did. Had a lot to tell Mary & Mother - they had done a lot of calling to-day. Mother had gone to the bank to get the \$7,000.00 for the mortgage on our house. We stopped at Sheridan's Milk Bar for some ice cream & got home about 11:00. I was so dead tired - I went right to bed. To bed 11:15 —

4/10/47 THURSDAY:

A beautiful bright warm day. Got up at 7:00 - had bk. with the folks at Mother's garage & left for Endicott about 9:00. It was a beautiful drive - I stopped for gas but we didn't bother stopping for lunch. Mary drove from Scranton on home - got here about 1:00 - had some lunch as soon as we got settled. Babe & Mary & I were all excited about the Atomic Bomb Rings which came in the mail - they had some in cereal box tops & a dime for them. I got back the slides I had taken at Walker's & at Bibby's - they turned very well. Drove down to the office about 2:00 - Mary went along & took the car. Ray Davis had left to attend Ralph La Follette Father's funeral - I was just too late to go with him. It was good I didn't for Van stopped over & I had quite a chat with him telling him what had happened in N.Y.C. at W.H.Q. yesterday. He was particularly disturbed about Kirk asking us about Mrs. Nichols picture. Van had heard about it from Blackie - Ray had told him this morning. Blackie

had also called Harris so Nichols picture will now go up all over the place. Just to be completely safe I took down Kirk's & Tom Jim's picture, leaving just Mr. Watson picture. You can't be wrong that way. I also had a talk with Blackie - he was quite disturbed about Kirk's statement that Perry Starbuck was telling the girls off to take down Nichols picture. Ray had told Blackie about our session with Kirk. Blackie is afraid Perry may be in real trouble, I hope not! I went over my last expense statement with Blackie - the one he sent me for March. We couldn't figure out the amount it showed for my salary for the past January as compared to January a year ago. It showed an increase of \$233.37 - or \$833.37 / month as my present salary. That we figured represented \$10,000.00 / year & the increase Kirk had announced to me was for \$100.00 / month or from \$600.00 to \$700.00 per month. I told Blackie the checks had not been reflecting this increase to \$10,000.00 but that I would check it with our slugs to-night at home. Mary stopped by for me about 5:15 we turned right home & I got into my old clothes & went right to work on the

paint job in the kitchen. Mary had taken the gallon of 'off-white' back & had gotten a gallon of white m- enamel. I had seen Mac Almon this afternoon - he had been painting his kitchen so I said I would stop over this evening to see it & Mary asked me to bring Mary - but after supper he called & told me his wife had been cleaning house & it wasn't for inspection so we didn't go over. I spent in a full evening painting - put the white enamel on all of the cabinet doors. After supper & after Mary put the girls to bed she helped me some painting the inside of the cabinets. Boy, that m- enamel sure does a swell job - the doors look like they had been given a coat of novocaine after I had finished. Worked right on up to 12:00 - got to bed about 12:30.

4/11/47 FRIDAY:

Partly cloudy but warm to-day. Got up at 7:00 - drove down to the office at 8:00 - left the Buick at the garage to be greased & have the oil changed. Had a busy morning at the office. Mary & I had looked over the check slips last

night & we were both quite surprised to find I had been making \$10,000.00 a year since last Nov. - I kidded Mary about not keeping better track of my salary than to let a \$1600.00/year increase come thru without noticing it. Actually what happened the increase ~~that~~ ^{that} gave me instead of being \$100.00 per month was \$233.00/month & \$2800.00 per year. I explained this to Blacher first by telling him I gave the check to Mary each time to record that we didn't understand just how much was being withheld for taxes. Actually the semi-monthly check had been increased only to \$354.00. Boy, that sure is a nice salary! I had a lot of correspondence to get out today - called Drew Daly at W.H.Q. about the language course he is starting - also called Canipe in the World Trade Div. about the 36 enrolments from Amsterdam, Netherlands in our Elementary Electronics Extension Course - he assured me these folks were all electronic engineers & that they all spoke English. That is a large number to enrollees for one office & especially from a foreign country. Drove home at noon & had lunch with the folks. Mary took me back to the office & we will

have the car to go to the Beauty Parlor. I had her get another gallon of white enamel - we liked the job it did on the kitchen & cabinets so well we decided to get more while we could ^{even} if it does cost ^{to} 9.80 per gallon. I received a letter from Dr. Hutchinson this afternoon in answer to the one I wrote him about Herbert - it was a very nice letter stating he would do all he could to get Herbert in Lafayette but that in as much as he was only in the 3rd. fifth of his class a lot would depend on the results of his College Entrance Board Exam. - I mailed the duplicate slides & two movie films to Hawaii to Bill Leon yesterday - I sent the film on "With from Producer to Consumer" & the film of miscellaneous shots of my Dr. Chamber trip to Rochester & to Edmonton & Milwaukee. I wrote Bill a long letter to-day in answer to the one I received from him last January. Many help me up terribly after work to-night - I had expected her to pick me up at 5:15 & she never came until 6:00. Oh yes! Al Davis called about 3:30 from Johnson City & said he would like to see Paul Roben &

me. I called Paul & he stopped over to my office at 4:30 - Al arrived about the same time. Al was interested in organizing another Quality Control class for the fall & wants Paul to assist with the instruction. — I waited for Mary over a half hour out on the street & then I went back in the office. I was sure mad when she finally came at 6:00 - she had been under the dryer at the hair dresser & didn't know to what the time was - or at least that was her excuse. Came home & got right into my old clothes & went to work on the paint job in the kitchen. Mary & I gave up the idea of going to the Tri-alle S Meeting at the Church to-night in favor of getting further along with our paint job. I called Ralph Walker this afternoon & explained we wouldn't make the meeting. Ralph was to serve as moderator for the symposium they were conducting. I would like to have gone. Mary helped me some with the painting. She put enamel in all the drawers & on some of the lower shelves. I painted the Chinese-Bed on the inside of all the cabinet doors & on the edge of the shelves. It now looks good. Mary & I got so interested in painting we have to stop. Didn't go to bed until about 12:30.

4/12/47 SATURDAY.

A beautiful bright day but a bit windy. Got up about 7:45 - had a big job first thing this morning getting all the hardware back on the cabinet doors & mounting them back on the cabinets. Mary & I were both much pleased with the results of our efforts. Mary put some of the stuff back into the cabinets - then about 10:30 she took the girls over to Binghamton to their Tap dancing lesson. I spent the morning doing some more painting in the kitchen. Was surprised to see all the Walkers come in about 12:30 - the place we were was a mess. Ralph & Della came in & I gave them the slides I had taken at their home of Marilyn. Mr. Tow stayed out door with Marilyn - I took a few pictures of her. Mary & the girls didn't get back until about 1:45. Mary got some lunch for us. After lunch I put on all the lower cabinet doors and had Babs help me clean up the kitchen. It sure is beginning to look swell with the new paint job. It was such a swell afternoon I decided to put on some of the screen - I washed several of them & put them on. Babs & Caroline Bibby played on the blacktop with the foot mobile. They were having a wild time.

shaking until, as I was getting a storm window away in the garage, I noticed a lot of marks in the dust on the back of the new Buick. I took them both to task for it - Caroline had a stick in her hand & admitted she had done it with the stick. Boy, I was so mad I could nearly have killed her - I took the stick away from her & gave her a sound sock with it & sent her home. Then I tried to remove the scratches by using some窗格 cleaner - I was able to get most of them off by rubbing off a lot of the paint. I was so mad I came in the house & gave Barbara a good sound spanking for standing by & letting Caroline do it - I blame Barbara as much as Caroline. She better not let it happen again - I gave both Barbara & Mary Lou a real lecture about helping me keep the car nice. So far they haven't shown much interest in it - but from now on they ~~will~~ are "or else". Just after that Charlie had gotten settled down - who should drive in but Charlie Love & his family - including Hazel. We were all surprised to see them. They had been down to Dr. Welsh - apparently some one in the family is being doctor by Dr. Welsh & it must be Hazel for she looks just terrible - lost a lot of weight & didn't look at all good to me.

Young Charlie & David however are a picture of health & of course Hazel is always the same. I haven't seen the boys in a couple of years - they have both grown & are two lovely children. Charlie & the John all stopped in for a few minutes - I showed them the job I had done on the kitchen. Took Charlie & the boys down to see the train outfit - The boys almost went wild over it & Charlie seemed quite amazed over it - he had never seen it before. Hazel & Lorraine came down for a look too. They couldn't stay long for they had to be back at Bendell for dinner this evening. I took a couple of pictures of Charlie & the boys before they left. After supper I continued the work on the kitchen - painted some of the little odd pieces - about 9:30 I gave up painting & developed three 35 mm. films. I had to get caught up some with my photographic hobby. To-bed 12:30 - Mary went to bed about 11:00.

4/13/47 SUNDAY:

Partly cloudy & cool to-day. Got up about 7:30. I decided to ^{do} some more painting in the kitchen instead of going to Sunday School. Mary got ready & took the girls to Sunday School. I cleaned the breakfast nook

& put on a coat I put on it. I hauled Mary down
the paint peeling off - being out on during sunday
school & church - but if we are ever going to get
the job done I'll have to give up some of the
other things I've been doing. Mary also took the
Bobby girls down to Sunday School - she
got back about 11:30. Had dinner about
12:00 - I read the papers & then about 1:00
I went out & washed the car. About 2:30
Mary, Barb, Mary Lou & I left for ~~the~~ Packer
Hospital to see Edna Bawden ^{stopped in Babb's} ~~we stopped~~
at Bob Sheridan's ~~we~~ home to ask Bob &
Jan to go with us but Bobbie had come down
with chicken pox to-day. We had a nice
ride down to Baye. We found Edna in good
spirits - she had been at the Hospital for 3
weeks. She has had quite a bad time - some
of her trouble was her liver. Edna said she
felt so bad she was afraid she was going to
die. Had some fun kidding Edna. Left the
hospital about 4:30 - stopped in Union at
Kushner's & Simon's ^{had} wanted us for a bite to
eat. Dick Ludwig & his family stopped in
while we were there. Mary & the girls wanted
to go to a movie but I insisted we come
on home. Did some more painting this even-

ing. Put some chine red on some of the kitchen trimmings & then just before going to bed I tried the Dutch Blue Enamel for floor on the ^{cellar} steps going down to the first landing. It sure is a pretty color - Mary & I both like it very much. Mary & I figured out our State Income Tax to-night. To bed 11:30.

4/14/47 MONDAY:

Partly cloudy & cool to-day. Got up at 7:00 - Barb & Mary & I rode down to school with me on my way to work. Stopped at the Post Office & mailed the Auto Camper back to the manufacturer to be fixed & also mailed our Income Tax. - Perry Starbuck called me just this morning to get the whole story on Kirk inquiring about Vice Pres. Updike's picture being taken down. Perry admitted he had told several field managers that the picture had been taken down at the plant. Perry was quite disturbed about it all & said he was calling Kirk to get the whole thing settled to-day. Had a session with Van, Earl Hege, Bob Edwards & Ray Jarrow on the matter of room assignment in the school bldg. Van is moving the customer engineering class

into the school which gives Ray for room for
 the General Edu. Class. Ray & Van had di-
 cussed the whole matter last week. Van told
 me in private that Ray had gotten quite biased
 in the matter - Van said when Ray was in
 charge his attitude be certainly would re-
 mend him for a better job. I tactfully brought
 the matter to Ray's attention later this morn-
 ing - Ray only said you don't tell me on it, but
 I believe I made him realize how injurious it
 was to his future. Had lunch with Ray
 at the cafeteria - drove down town after lunch,
 did some shopping & then drove home - got
 a belated birthday card from Jack & Dorothy
 in Aberdeen Wash. - They are looking forward
 to our visit in June. May drove me back
 to the office at 1:30 - I took in to my
 view master & the other cards. Bruce Buckle-
 man interested in them - he is investigating the
 possibility of using the same division rooms for
 individual instruction. Wilton Kenner was in with
 us & discouraged Bruce on his idea - I agree with
 Wilton that it would be too inconvenient to
 have to use a third division room. Called
 Daley at W.H.Q. this P.M. - he is having no
 trouble getting instructor for his classes

Spanish & French classes. He called back later & said Ciss, Mrs. Watson rec'd. had called him & wanted to get in a begining Spanish class - Ciss had learned that most of the executive secretary were joining the Advanced French or French class & he wanted to get into a class just in case Mrs. Watson should inquire about his ability in foreign language. I told Drew we certainly would not want to start any more classes at this time - even for Ciss. ~~Mr.~~ Ray Davis asked me to try to get him a Buick to-day - I stopped at the Buick Garage & talked with Claude - he told me it would be 6 months or longer - he still has a long list & the new cars aren't coming thru very well - the Buick plant in Flint was flooded in the recent heavy spring rain & that is holding them up. Mary picked me up at 5:15 - hurried home - I went back up to Mrs. Moore & borrowed the electric drill to remove the AAA emblem on the car. George DeVenti came over & stayed with Bob & Mary Lon - at 6:15 Mary & I drove down & got ~~to~~ Della & Ralph and drove over to the Holiday Inn to the Lion Club for meeting, Binghamton, Endicott & Oneonta. They had a full house. It was a very nice party.

From Walter C. Fisher, Third Vice-president, from International was our speaker - & gave a good man talk on Zionism. He was invited by Henry McFerson from Albany - or District Gov. who tried to get me to run as a deputy District Governor. I met Henry & also Walter after the dinner. Then we dancing until 1:00 - it was my first time to try the dance floor at the Holiday Inn - Ralph, Dale, Mary & I left about 10:45 - home at 11:00 - Roger had gone on home at 10:00 as we had indicated. Mary & I did the dishes that we left. To bed 12:00.

4/15/47 TUESDAY:

A beautiful spring day - got up at 6:45 - drilled the hole in the front bumper on my car & installed the AAA Emblem before breakfast so I could return the electric drill to Mr. Snover - We sent Barb & Mary Lou to school on the bus. Mary & I got ready to leave for Utica by 8:30. Drove over to leave the home key with Virginia Bibby as Mary had arranged to have Barb & Mary Lou wait at Bibby's after school until we got back. We found Virginia out on the porch with

little Dongar in a baby carriage. She was trying to get some pictures of him with the new camera & wanted me to help. I took a couple pictures with her camera & also several on my Leica. It was about 9:00 by the time we got under way for Utica. It was a beautiful drive however some of the road was not good - had to detour between Oxford and Norwich. We were in Utica by 11:30 - I was surprised to learn that Joe Hanna had moved his business to a new location, 169 Campbell Ave. It is a new building out in a residential section on the outskirts of town. Both May & I were sorry & disappointed to learn that Joe & Madeline had left for N.Y.C. Furthermore I was somewhat let down to learn from Joe's rec'd. & the boy in the office that Joe had left no word about my pin ball game, apparently he had forgotten all about it. Fortunately I had brought along the correspondence I had had with Joe & had his letter in which he had promised to give me a pin ball game. The boy was very nice about it & let us pick out anyone we wanted of the used machines. There were a couple dozen of them so we

had quite a job deciding which one we wanted. Joe has a nice place - a lovely office. After we got the pin ball game loaded in the car we drove down town & had some lunch at a Tudor House. After thinking over the matter of the pin ball game further we decided the children might enjoy more having the bowling pin ball game more than the Air Circus Game which we got - so we decided to exchange it if possible. We drove back to Joe's place & were disappointed to learn that some fellows had come in & had taken the bowling game while we were away, so we decided to keep the Air Circus - for I hope that Joe will let us exchange it later anyway. Drove back down town & had about an hour to stop before having to go to the N.Y. Central R.R. Station at 3:00 to meet Mr. H.R. Krueherbohm. The train was a few minutes late - we had no trouble locating him & were on our way to Endicott by 3:15 - it was a beautiful drive home & we enjoyed talking to Mr. Krueherbohm. He sure is an interesting man. We got to the IBM Headquarters at just 6:00. Left Mr. Krueherbohm & came in home. Mary helped me unload the

pin ball game - we had to stop over to Billy's
to get the key for the house. Bob & Mary Lou
were having supper with the Billeys. I came
home, cleaned up some - put on another suit
& at 6:40 drove up to the Homestead - got
Mr. Knickerbocker & drove him down to the County
Club to our IBM Study Club meeting. It was a
very nice affair & we were all pleasantly
surprised with Knickerbocker's talk - he really
gave an excellent talk - he was in anti
Ruman & gave us a lot of good sound reasons
why. Frank Furman let me handle the
question period & also close the meeting as
usual. We had many more questions asked than
could be answered. Oh Yes! Geo. Daly representing
the nominating committee - announced the candidates
They had selected for officer next year - they
will be voted on at the next meeting. They
are - for President - Ralph La Tourette and
Ray Davis - for Vice Pres. Paul Maniere and
Glen Burns. I asked Frank Furman to take
Mr. Knickerbocker up to the Homestead - I came
on home about 10:00. Glad Mary helped me
set up the Pin Ball Game - we played
it for a half hour or more - it sure is
fascinating. To bed 11:30.

4/16/47 WEDNESDAY:

Partly cloudy & cooler to-day. Got up at 6:45 - showed Babs & Mary Lou the pin ball game before breakfast - we each played a couple of games - The children were thrilled with it. I drove the girls to school on my way to the office at 8:00 - I checked first thing with Frank Furman to see what arrangements had been made for transportation for Mr. Krickerbocker. At 8:30 I drove up to the Homestead - had a cup of coffee with Mr. Krickerbocker while he ate breakfast. Called Ed Maney to check on reservations - he couldn't get a plane for Mr. Krickerbocker as it was a very rainy, cloudy morning so private planes were not flying. I finally gave up & told Ed. to get ³⁸⁴ the station wagon to drive Mr. Krickerbocker to Elkins to get the 10:20 train for Williamsport Pa. We had to hurry - I got him down to the school at 9:20 - Bob Wheeler was there with the Chrysler station wagon & left with Mr. Krickerbocker right away for Elkins. I was disappointed as I had hoped we could have made some other arrangements so Mr. Krickerbocker could have had a few hours to ^{some} see & on I-34 Plant.

He was especially interested as he wanted information on the company as an example of an ideal private enterprise to use in his debates with Durante on "Collective Socialism vs. Private Enterprise. Had a busy morning. At 10:00 I went over to the Conference Room in the lab. with Blackwell - Van Gordon was also there from the school. Bob Landon had called the meeting to review the Wage & Hour Law as it applied to some of the situation in IBM. Harris, Lewis, McElwain, Austin, Landon, Bush, Dolph, Van Gordon, Blackie & I were all there with Landon. Bob brought up the matter of payment of an instructor under the requirements of the Wage & Hour Law - I mentioned that I would like to see any change or any new plan of payment withheld now until the end of our present term & start the new plan next Fall. I was pleased they Lewis & Harris agreed with me on this. Bob also brought up the matter of paying the guard, nurse & country club people who at present are not being paid in accordance with the Wage & Hour Law. Had a little lunch with Ray in the cafeteria - old yo. I went home for lunch instead. Had

Mary bring me back to the Ap. Did some shopping down town before going home for lunch. — I gave an interview then for Amer Advertiser this afternoon. Called Horace Bailes at W.H.Q. & also Drew Dally this afternoon. Called Ralph Miller & asked him to stay on to the house this evening. Mary picked me up at 5:15 she had Mr. Carpenter with her — had dinner up to Binghamton & got her this afternoon. The rain a little better than when she was with me before — is as jolly as we are now to seem. I put in some time on the piano till you when I got home — Bell & May Lorraine are crazy about it. I wrote for Horace thanking him for the piano till you the day. Spent the evening visiting in the kitchen — May & Mrs. C. began me company — they are as talkative as I mixed up the paint blue — is now too light as it came in the can so I add some of the Cobalt Blue later I got in a tub at Ulrich on Tuesday. It was my first experience of mixing my own colors & I wanted to do a

bad one for it seems the more blue you add to white or a light color the whiter it becomes, at least it seems that way. Consequently I got a little too much blue in it - both Mary & Mrs. C. seemed to think it looked too dark on the wall but I didn't agree with them. Ralph & Della stopped in for a while - I showed them the pin ball game. Ralph & I had some fun trying out the various relays in the machine - got some funny results. About 11:30 after I got cleaned up from painting - Mrs. C., Mary & I went down to the playroom & had a few games on the pin ball machine. We all got a kick out of it. To bed about 12:15.

4/17/47 THURSDAY:

Cloudy & cool to-day. Got up at 7:00 - took Babe & Mary for to school on my way to the office at 8:00. Had a busy morning. Della Walker called & asked me to make a reservation for Margaret Crandall to attend the Custodian Dinner to-night. I called Charlie Love at W.H.Q. about salesman who completed the Elementary Electronic Extension course.

Had a lot of letters to get out to-day. Lunch at cafeteria with Ray Davis - after lunch I drove over town & did some shopping. Stopped in Vaughan & looked at a couple of suits. Also stopped in Oliver Hardware Store to see Dale Davis about an lawn mower. The one he had for me was too heavy. Got back to the office about 1:30 - Van stopped over & asked me to go up to Ideal Hospital with him to see Ray Wolnegele so I rode along. Ray has been in the Hospital for a few days getting his legs operated on for Varicose Veins - it isn't a very serious operation. I was surprised to learn that Ray had this condition. I had thought only old women were bothered with it. Van & I decided the Drs. of Edna should send some flowers or a plant to Buckle's home. Bruce had gone down to Saginaw to bring Edna home to-day. Called Daly at W.H.S. this afternoon & learned he still did not have an instructor for the Advanced Spanish class which he wants to start on Monday. Eleanor John called from W.H.S. - Dwayne will be back from the West Coast next Tuesday. At 5:00 I hurried down town & got my hair

cut. Saw Jim, Troy - hadn't seen him since he returned from the Army last Sept. Drove home about 5:30, cleaned up & about 6:45 Ralph & Della stopped by for me - Margaret Cramer was with them. Mary had to go a Cancer Fund Meeting at the Country Club so she couldn't go to the Customer Dinner. I wouldn't have gone but Van Gorden asked me to attend since he couldn't. Margaret was up fromough-keepsie to study on Country Club operations - she is to be the administrator of the I.B.M. Country Club at Plant #4. It was a very nice party for the customers. Dawson conducted the program since Perry Starbuck wasn't there. Walt Harris spoke for the I.B.M. Organization. I sat next to Bill Hollaling the new Engineering Student & got better acquainted. Also met Ed Fayer the Engineering Student from Lafayette College. The meeting was over about 8:45 but Ralph & Della stayed around & talked for over an hour so I didn't get home until almost 10:00. I put on my old clothes & went to work on the kitchen with the painting job. Started putting the yellow on the breakfast nook. Mary got home about

10:15 I helped some with the painting. We didn't like the yellow color as well as we had expected. Oh Yes! Tobby Crawford called me this morning & asked me if I wanted to make \$30.00 - said he would pay me \$30.00 for the loan of \$300.00 for three months. I told him I had to borrow some money to refinance the house so it was out of the question. — This afternoon I saw Bob Landon about making out the mortgage on the house - called Mary & had her talk with Bob about the terms of the mortgage. I also called Mrs. Donald at the Trust Co. & arranged to borrow \$2000.00 to complete the deal on refinancing the house. — About 11:30 Mary & I gave up painting - Mrs. Carpenter went down to the playroom with us to play the pin ball game. I decided to improve the game by moving some of the bumpers. We got so interested we played until 12:45. To bed 1:00.

4/18/47 FRIDAY:

Partly cloudy & cool to-day. Got up at 7:00 - Took Babs & Mary Lou to school on my way to the office at 8:00. Mary rode down with me & took the car. She signed down to the Endicott Trust this morning & took care of the matter of borrowing \$2000.00 from the bank.

to finish paying for our house. I had called
McDonald to make the arrangements for her.
I got out the report to Alton to-day on the
advanced language classes starting at W.H.Q.
Ben Bodel was all steamed up this morning
about some statistics on Gen. Education for W.H.Q.
to be used in the Stock Holders report. They
had to have it by 2:00 this afternoon. I
was able to get the data for them from
my records. Had lunch at the cafeteria
with Ray Davis. After lunch I had Bob
Landon come back to the office to see the
finished draft of the General Letter I have
prepared for Alton signature on the matter
of training benefits to Veterans. Bob approved
the legal aspects of it. Mary took Mr. Carpenter
over to Binghamton this afternoon - she wanted
to call on Mr. White - decided she would stay
for the weekend. I don't think she likes all the
paint we have in the house - it does ~~not~~ smell
the place up a lot. Mary stopped by for me
at 5:15 - I got on old clothes & went right
to work on the paint job in the kitchen. Ralph
& Della came out about 7:15 - they had on
their old clothes ready to paint & I put them
right to work. We had a real painting frolic!

Ralph helped me move out the refrigerator & stove so we could paint in back of them. He helped me put on white under coat. Della & Mary did some work on the bread box & other small pieces. We had a lot of fun & spread quite a bit of paint. Stopped about 10:45 & cleaned the place up. Mary & Della fixed hamburger & coffee while Ralph & I tried out the Pin Ball Game. Mary wasn't feeling good & had to lay down - she couldn't eat with us. Della helped with the dishes - we & Ralph left about 11:45. Mary & I turned in right away 12:00 - Boy I sure was tired!

4/19/47 SATURDAY:

A beautiful bright day but cool. Got up about 7:30 - Fun in a real day on the paint job in the kitchen. I mixed some yellow in the African canary yellow paint to make it a little richer in color & painted the breakfast nook walls with it. I also painted a panel in the kitchen to see how we could like it. Mary took Barb & Mary Lou to Binghamton for their dancing lesson & also did some shopping. While they were gone I put the coat of light blue paint on the kitchen ceiling. Boy, that was some job. Mary

The girls got back about 2:30. Mary had gotten me some more bumpers & also some new rubber for the pin ball game - she also got me 5 more steel balls for the game so we now have 10 instead of 5. I put some of the bumpers on and installed new rubber on all the bumpers - then with the 10 balls it is a much more interesting game. The girls & I had to try it on with a few games. Didn't have lunch until 3:30 which is really late for the Welsh family. After eating I went right back on the paint job - it was really too nice outside to be inside but I wanted to get the job finished. I also want to minimize the car as soon as I can get to it. Had some supper about 7:00 - I called De Verte & asked Mr. De Verte to have Kegs & Pots come over - Keg had to stay so I asked him to come over to - road & try the boys to play pin ball. Got a letter from Joe Hanna to-day saying he was sorry to miss seeing Mary & I in their on Tuesday - also that he would have run but we got a more interesting pin ball game. I was glad to learn that Joe wants us to have another game or

soon as we get tired of this one. Also got a letter from Mr. Elmer Miller of Washington N.J. inviting me to attend a testimonial dinner in honor of Reading Sebhardt at Flemington on Fri. May 23. See I would like to attend, but that is the weekend I had planned to go to the N.Y. State Dayee convention at Elma N.Y. I still haven't decided which I will attend. Mary & I both spent the evening painting - I put some yellow in the kitchen - Mary doesn't like it - we couldn't quite make up our mind. Took time out for a few games of pin ball - the machine started acting up - one of the ^{A.C.} solenoids would stick & hum. It made a terrible racket! To-bed 12:00

4/20/47 SUNDAY:

A very rainy day - rained most all day & very cool. Got up at 8:00 & right back at the paint job. Put the white enamel on the bottom half of the breakfast nook this morning. Mary took Babie & Mary Lou to Sunday School - she also took Caroline & Martha Bibby down with her. Virginia went down to Poughkeepsie this weekend to attend the 100th Anniversary Banquet & the big Smith Bro.

celebration with Dave. Mary stayed for Sunday school - got home about 11:30. About 12:30 I took time out from painting to fix the pin ball game. Really got on the inside of it - I was surprised at all of the mechanism - I had no idea there were so many relays in it. Had no trouble in locating the difficulty - a stuck solenoid armature. After dinner I helped Mary clean up the house some & got cleaned up myself. About 3:00 the De Venti arrived - all except George, he had to stay home to study & rest - he is present I think in school & is trying to make a real record. Mr. & Mrs. De Venti sure like my paint job on the kitchen - however Mrs. De Venti really stuck up her nose at the yellow on the kitchen walls - her reaction made me change my mind on the yellow, I had only about half lived it anyway. The De Venti sure liked the pin ball game - it was kept busy every minute while they were there. I took some pictures both stills & movies of the game and the pin ball machine. I told the boys I would bring the machine down to their bid & leave it while we go to

California - That sure made a hit. It seems all the De Ventis are looking forward to having Babe & Mary Lou stay with them for the month of June. It sure is nice of them to take the girls. Babe & Mary Lou are looking forward to it too. I showed some movies - however Charles preferred to play with ball. I showed some of the color movies of Babe & Mary Lou when they were babies - Mrs. De Ventis almost went wild over them. They sure are cute - I hadn't seen them in a long time. I like them better every time I see them. Mary treated us on tea & cake. The De Ventis' left about 7:30 - I put on my old clothes & took out the ashtray. Also helped Mary take the wash next door to Martha - she is going to start doing our weekly washing. It was still raining to night. Mary & I went back to work on the paint job - started putting the white enameled on the kitchen walls. It sure makes a good looking job - I had Mary add up the cost of all the paint we had bought to date since we started our painting project. We were both surprised to find we had spent \$56.70. We estimated that the

paint we would actually use to complete the kitchen project would cost about \$7.00. I wonder what it would have cost to have the whole job done by a painter. I'll bet it would have cost between 75 & 100 dollars. Mary & I painted right up to 12:00 - To bed 12:15.

4/2/47 MONDAY:

Cloudy & rainy to-day. Got up at 7:15 - Mary drove me down to the Yacht club 8:15 - Took Babe & Mary down to school. Received a call from Will Lewis from Physicist this morning, he told me that Dave Taylor's father-in-law, Mr. Davis, dropped down yesterday while he was busy. Dave had asked Will to call saying he couldn't get to Endicott this week. I told Will to come in and I was sorry to hear about Mr. Davis & also the fact that Dave had to miss our meeting. At 9:00 this morning we had a large school opening - a very large customer class & two customer engineer classes, one advanced and one starting group. Les Tunney was up from W.H.S. with Harry up to the group. Dawson con-

ducted the session in Starbucks absence. I did some work to-day getting lined up for our meeting on Wed & Thu. Drew Daly called from W.H.Q. he is starting the Advanced Spanish class to-day & the Advanced French class to-morrow. Had lunch with Ray Fair in the cafeteria. Stayed at the Office this evening to help check the classes, Ray had to leave to attend a meeting & Bob had a class to teach. 2:30 I went out about 4:30 & had a bite to eat at a fancy spoon restaurant. Did some calling from the Office this evening - got some addresses of people we want to look up while in California. Talked to some of the instructors as they stopped in the Office - Ray Cheney, Wally Lanton, Bob Sheridan & Lynn Seely. Called Mary & she stopped down for me about 7:40. We drove Lynn Seely home on our way home. I got into my old clothes & went to work on the kitchen - I put on some white enamel on the walls. I wasn't satisfied with the way it went on the walls - I couldn't get it to go on without showing some brush marks. It disturbed me a lot! Mary & Mr. Carpenter kept me company, however they played pin ball a lot - the pin ball game we got a motion. Worked until about 11:30. To-bed about 12:00. The rain is just about getting me down.

4/22/47 TUESDAY:

Clear but cool to-day. Got up at 7:00 - drove Barb & Mary Lou to school on my way to the office about 8:10. Spent most of the morning getting lined up for my meeting to-morrow with my manager of Len. Eda. in IBM. About 11:30 I drove home for lunch - ate with Mary & Mrs. Coyatt. After lunch I helped Mary line up Barb's auto book collection & Mary Lou's miniature automobile collection & took them down to Cooper's for the Hobby Show to-night. Mrs. C. was down with us - we'd stayed over to see Pauline Yorke after the afternoon. Paul Cooper called & told me Dick Ernest was down from Rochester - I had him stop over to the office to see me - he had another day from Burch & Lomb Co with him - Geo. Leman - he & Geo are still both interested in the Dr. C. case of course - had a nice chat with them. Bill Lein called me & asked why Charlie Baxter won a manager - he was talking with Mrs. Alvin & the question came up. I told Bill that I had always thought of Mary as the manager - however Bill wants me to think the matter over - Mary stopped over

to see me & we decided both Charlie Baxter & Arnold Kupper should be given the status of a manager. Van Gordon called this afternoon to ask we recommend someone for a job he has in the field - Van & I do quite a little bidding - he calls me Dean so I call him Chancellor - this afternoon Van told me he thought I should have his job as chairman for the Dept. of Edu. - said he was going to suggest to Olson that he give me the job. I told Van he was doing too good a job to make any change. At 4:15 we had a general manager meeting Cy McElwain conducted the meeting - Bud Austin told us of the set-up on having employee vaccinated for smallpox to-morrow & Thursday. We all received notice to-day.

Bill Lewis also spoke to the manager - just told us what a swell job we were doing but that we had to do better. Cy mentioned the matter of the voluntary aspect of our Gen. Edu. Program. Mary stopped down for me about 5:15 - Babz & Mary Lou were with her & they were all gassed up about the hobby show down at Hooper School. Just as soon as we all had supper we went down to see the show. I took my lights along & got some pictures of Babz & Mary Lou's exhibits. We were all surprised that Mary Lou got first

join with the collection of miniature cars & Babes got Dad. mine or the match book collection. Mary Lou and we were pleased over her visiting. I had a couple boys help me with the lighting for the pictures. The whole body was very nice. At 7:30 we drove in down to the Church & got out there to attend a meeting of the Better Buttercup program committee for next year. Deirdre Woodard is chairman - Ward Harris & Karen Allen the other members were there and Henry Babes sat in with us. We had about an hour session. I called Mary & we are done for me - put on old clothes as soon as I got home & did some cleaning the floor in the kitchen - that is quite a job, to get the linoleum clean of all wax before painting. Glad we finished before visiting. Mary did some visiting - she & Mrs. C. also played pin ball. To bed 12:00.

4/23/47 WEDNESDAY:

Clear & cool to-day - got up at 7:00. Mary drove me down to the office at 8:00 - took Babes & Mary Lou to school - Mary stopped on her way home & got the miniature cars & match books from the school from

The hobby show. I had a very busy day at the office - the boys from the other plants started arriving about 8:30 & we started our session about 9:00. Bob Holmead, Reg Chapman, Drew Daly, Wilbur Edmire - I had Bob Sheridan, Carl Snyder & Ray Davis from Endicott sit in with us. We had our meeting in Starbucks office since he was out of town. We sure had a busy morning - right in the middle of our session Olson called from W.H.Q. & wanted some info. on number of veterans in the Gen. Edu. Program in 1944 & '45 so we had to drop everything else & work on it. I called Olson & told him the price we had to pay for the instructors at W.H.Q. ~~\$25.00~~ per senior for French & 17.50 for Spanish. He agreed that was high. This noon Bruce Buckler introduced me to a Mr. H. C. Towne of the Canis Corp. at Syracuse who was here to see our training & educational program. I had lunch with him at the cafeteria & told him a little about our Gen. Edu. Program & then after lunch I had Ray Davis spend some time with him. At 1:30 our Gen. Education group reconvened in Starbucks office. I had Ken Spaul take a picture of the group. We had a lively session all afternoon - reviewed our plans for the new bulletin this fall. I have a very long agenda to get over - I

doubt whether we get all over it even to -
morow. Our meeting adjourned at 5:00 - Mary
stopped by for me - I drove her home & then
stopped back to the school. Ray was talking with
Mrs. & Mrs. Towner - I met Mrs. Towner. - Ray
Chapman & I tried to sit in on the Home
Painting Class but it was a full room so we
sat in the office & listened to the speaker
talk on Painting & Finishing. It was very
interesting as Ray & I are both amateur painters.
I think I learned the secret as to how to
paint enamel or smoothly. The secret is to
me a thin coat or after the first coat & before
you put on the finish coat. I'm anxious to
try it out. Bob Hendon brought Edmona, Daly
& Holmead in to bear part of the session.
Ray & I left about 6:15 - I drove down to
the store to see Lin's Meeting - took Ray as
my guest. Had a big turn out - we tried
out the idea of a brief news report - Harvey
Towner was on hand & gave the full news resume.
She did a good job. The program was some children
from Geo. Washington School who played instruments.
Ray & I left about 7:45 as I wanted to
get home before the boys came over from
the Hospital. I had arranged with Guy

to take the other fellow to the Homestead for dinner. The whole group came out to the house this evening & we really gave the Pin Ball game a work out. I had Carl Snyder look the mechanism over & he fixed it up a bit. The boys wanted to play for money so we placed 5¢ & 10¢ bets on high score. It made the game a little more interesting. Wilbur & Bob Holmes hadn't seen the train station before so they got quite a kick out of it. Drew Daly brought some match books for Barbara for her collection - a nice addition to her hobby. Oh Yes! Mary Lou received a very nice photograph album as her prize for winning first place in the Hobby Contest. She sure was delighted. The boys found it difficult to get away from the pin ball game - it was 11:30 before the party broke up. I drove Peg up to the Homestead - the rest of the fellows went down to the Frederick with Ray Davis. Home & wrote these notes before retiring. To bed 12:20.

4/24/47 THURSDAY:

Cloudy & warm to-day. Got up at 7:00 - hurried around & drove down to the office at 8:00 - Mary went along to take the car - we took Barb & Mary Lou

to school. The boys from the other plants
came in about 8:30 — we recovered our
selves in Starbucks office about 8:30 —
started discussing new subjects to be offered
in our program this fall. About 9:00 Gay
Dow & I went on to the general
dept. for our vaccination. They vaccinated
about 1500 employees yesterday & were putting
them there again to day at the rate of
about 12 a minute. Gay & I only had
5 or 6 minutes to wait. Dr. Welch
actually did the scratching of the arm.
We really had a busy morning —
discussing our plans for the develop-
ment of extension & our General Education
Program. Dr. Oster called from N.H.Q.
& asked me to get him some informa-
tion on anyone who was subsidizing their people
who take educational work at outside institu-
tions. I discussed it with the other fellow
in our room. I had a report I had
prepared back in 1943 — I told Oster I
had it & he wanted it so I sent it
down to him. Dwayne said he had
talked with him & he is interested in
having I.B.T. start some such plans.

I called Bob Landon this morning - he was at W.H.Q. Poughkeepsie & is going to W.H.Q. to-morrow. I asked Bob to see Mr. Fitch while at W.H.Q. since Daly had been talking to him about the application of the Wage & Hour Law to our Gen. Edu. Program. Van Gordon stopped in about 12:15 just as we were closing our meeting. He went to lunch with us - I introduced him to the fellows he hadn't met. Wilbur Edmonds left for Poughkeepsie after lunch. Reg Chapman had work in the plant. Bob Holmead & Daly spent most of the afternoon with Fay Davis. I had Fay review our record keeping set-up with them. I also spent some time with them. Mrs. Connelly our instructor for the class taking "Clothing" introduced me to a Mrs. Wilkes whom she brought down from Binghamton to talk to our class a show a movie on fashion to-night. Mary picked me up at 5:00 - She & Mrs. Carpenter had both been vaccinated for Small-pox yesterday so they are one day ahead of me. My arm is a little sore to-night. I read the paper - cleaned up a bit & about 6:45 Mary & I drove up to the Homestead to the Customer Diner. Fay

train bought. Bob Holmead & Andrew Daly
arrive from the school with him. There was
a large group at the dinner - 51 in the
customer class & two customer engineering
groups. Bob, Drew & Reg attended the dinner.
Division acted as chairman in Starbucks absence.
It was a good meeting - I sat next to
Neal Goodwin who was in the customer
engineering class I attended as a student
engineer back in 1934. Neal is back to
study the Type 602 Electronic Multiplier.
Mary & I hurried home after the dinner -
Bob Holmead & Drew Daly got the
late train home to-night. Ray Jawor
drove them over to the station. I put
on my old clothes as soon as I got home
& went to work painting again. Mary
helped me. She & Mrs. Carpenter played
pin ball in the playroom until after 12:00.
I painted until about 12:30. To-bed 12:45.

4/25/47 FRIDAY:

A rainy day - started raining this
morning. Got up about 7:00 - Drove
down to the office about 8:15 - Took
Bob & Mary for to school. Had a

busy day at the office getting caught up with my correspondence. Van Orden called & told me he was going to N.Y.C. to see Orion, Monday - I bidden him about having to go down to the Stock Holders meeting at W.H.Q. - I drove home at 12:00 - had lunch with Mary & Mrs. Carpenter - Then after lunch I drove Mrs. C. down town to get a bus to Binghamton - she is staying with Mrs. White to-night. I called Hansen this noon & made an appointment to have my car goccelized a week from next Tuesday. Mac & I are driving to Poughkeepsie next Tuesday. Wilbur Edmonds called from Poughkeepsie to-day & gave me some information on companies in that area who subside their employees taking educational work. Ray Davis devulged to-day that he is having in grain here after - I hadn't known it before. Drove home at 5:00 - got into my old clothes & went to work on the kitchen. Mary & I have just about made up our mind that it takes too long to try & do the job yourself. I started painting the floor to-night. Put the edge on the breakfast nook. Also put

a split coat on the rest of the walls. I called Mr. Reynolds, the painter who talked to our Home Planning class, to-day & asked him a lot of questions about ~~on~~ my paint job. Mary helped me some this evening. We quit in a full evening — then just as I was rushing things along & painting the last stripe back in the corner, I got off the ladder in a hurry to move it & knocked off the paint can onto the floor. There was only about a pint in it but it sure made a mess — Mary had gone up to-bed but she came back down & helped me clean it up. I gave up the painting & went on to-bed — To-bed 11:45

4/26/47 SATURDAY:

Clear but very cool to-day. It had snowed a little last night. I didn't get up until about 8:00. — After breakfast I switched all the tires on the Buick. I have 4995 miles on it. I'm going to follow Charlie Lovin's plan of switching them every 5000 miles. It was the first I had ever had the fenders taken off the rear of the car. They come off quite easy. Mary took

the girls over to Binghamton about 10:30 for their dancing lesson. I went to work again on the paint job in the kitchen - painted the enamel on the large corn cabinet & also put the chives red on the inside of the cupboard door. May came back about 2:00 with the girls & Mrs. Carpenter. They seemed sore because I didn't have the kitchen cleaned up for dinner - that made me mad after I had work to do while they were gone. May got some dinner for us about 3:15 - after eating I ~~had~~ washed the car - then I borrowed the electric drill from Mr. Sawyer & put the new back-up light that May gave me for my birthday on the Bisch. It is a million back-up light & it sure looks nice. May paint job on the linoleum in the breakfast room didn't turn out so well - I couldn't get the China Red border to cover the pattern of the linoleum so I gave up the idea of my red as a border & painted it all blue. May got some supper about 7:30 - we took a nap this afternoon. About 10:00 this evening May & Mr. C. drove down town to get a check cashed & bought me some ice cream. I gave up waiting about 11:30 - it was really then 12:30 as we had to set our clock ahead an hour.

to-night for Daylight Saving Time which starts to-morrow. Actually then I went to bed at about 1:00.

4/27/47 SUNDAY:

A very rainy day - got up at 6:45 which was actually 5:45 since we had set our clocks ahead last night one hour for Daylight Saving Time. Got dressed & about 7:20 Paul Tabor stopped by for me. We drove over to Binghamton to the Tabor's Dinner at the corner of Clinton & Front Sts. Had some breakfast there - Dick Ludwig met us about 7:40 - Paul left his car there at the Dinner & we rode with Dick to Utica for the N.Y. Jaycees Executive Committee meeting. It started raining just before we arrived at Utica - had some very bad road between Oxford & Utica. Arrived at the Utica Hotel about 10:00 - some of the boys were already on hand. Joe Hanna has the new Lincoln Continental running in front of the Hotel. Paul Tabor had to wait while before we had a quorum of the committee present to start the meeting. He got the session

under way about 10:30 — Those present were PAUL TABER, ED. WATSON, CURT BUFFETT, DICK LUDWIG, JOE HANNA, TOM NOBEL, PAUL MANIERI, DICK BYWATER, GLEN SCOTT — also FRED BRYANT, MEL GERHARDT & BOB BAXTER came late. Paul had a lot of business to cover — it was a real good meeting. Dr. Chamber in the state is sure looking up. There are now 14 new local organizations. We discussed plan for the State Jaycees Convention in Elkhorn. Joe Hanna reported on plan for transportation to the National Jaycees Convention at Long Beach Calif. — Royal Airlines gave us the best offer — \$152.00 round trip + 10% tax. or around \$170.00 for the trip. Also discussed the budget for next year — \$5,000 — 1948 N.Y. State Calendar being printed for next year with a possible net of \$5,000.00 profit to the State Jaycees — We adjourned about 12:30 — Joe Hanna had arranged for us all to have dinner in an Mexican Restaurant — I rode over a few blocks with Joe in his new Lincoln Continental — it sure is a swell car. Joe treated the gang to a swell steak dinner. Paul Taber & Fred Bryant had their families with them — Carl, Glen, & Dick Bywater had their wives with them. I took some pictures of the

group after dinner. We were over 2 hours at lunch - very slow service - Paul went ahead with some business while we were waiting for course. Rode back to the Hotel with Joe Hanna - we all had a surprise when we got back to our meeting room - to find Joe Washburn there waiting for us. He had been there waiting for us about two hours & had to leave right away to catch a train for N.Y.C. Joe just said he had flown in from Havana & had to pay a taxi 37.5⁶ to bring him over from Albany to make the meeting - he had to make a 2:53 train for N.Y.C. & only had 10 minutes - didn't even wait to shake hands with the boys. He sure seemed disturbed about the whole matter & went off in a real huff. We were all sorry to have left no word as to where we had gone for dinner but no one knew Joe was planning to be with us. Paul called our meeting to order & then Joe Hanna suggested he be excused to go down to the station to explain more fully what the whole situation was. I went along with Joe - he sat the covers with test Lincoln - we had only 4 or 5 minutes before train time. Joe was on the train when we got there & it was

just ready to pull out. We ran up & down the track looking for Joe on the train - Joe Hause jumped on just back of the baggage car & stated running thru the cars, had to get off as it started right away - but by some strange quirk of circumstances the air was on & the train stopped again with a jerk - Joe was able to get back on but the conductor wouldn't let me on - even blamed me for stopping the train - I had to explain that I had nothing to do with it. Joe Hause finally located Joe W. in the lounge car sound asleep. He had only a minute to wake Joe up & tell him briefly what had happened. The car near being caught on the train - had to jump off of one of the platforms after the train started. - Ed Watson was elected as the new State Pres.

To take office at the convention in Elvira. Paul Teller was asked to lead the car & we acted upon the motion of the Paul Teller Trophy which is being set up in tribute to Paul & presented to the outstanding State Committee Chairman. - John Gedde of Rock gets in this year for his job on the aviation committee. - I was pleased to see the boys we still using the Personal Address & the Jaycees of which I introduced last year to the year before. Paul again

the meeting about 4:30 - Most of the gang accepted Joe Hanner invitation to come over to his office - I rode over with Dick & Paul Manner. Joe had Madeline & his two boys come over - I hadn't seen his boys before - they are two nice boys. Joe played host to the group in his expansive office - he has a notable bar which proved to be quite adequate for the occasion. He opened up a whole flock of his pin ball & various games which we could play without putting in any nickels. We all had a good time. I had a chance to talk with Madeline a few minutes about the pin ball game I got & was a bit surprised to learn I had actually gotten a better machine than Joe had intended to give me - she said I had made a very good selection. Paul, Dick & I left about 7:00 for home. It seemed funny that it didn't get dark until after 8:00 - the first day of Daylight Saving Time. We got back to Bellingham about 9:00 - Paul got his car at Larson Diner & we left Dick there. I got home about 9:30 - Mary & the girls had taken Mrs. Carpenter back to Oxford this afternoon. Mrs. White had gone along for the ride. I put the doors on the wardrobe &

Got up this morning & did some cleaning up in the kitchen. May & I exchanged stories on our experiences for the day. Read the papers & wrote these notes - To bed 12.00 -

4/28/47 MONDAY:

Clear but cold this morning. Got up at 7:00 - Drove down to the office at 8:10 - took Barb & May Lou to school. Called Dar Sapiro at Pk. this morning - May & I are planning to go down to - now. Don Dugay arrived at the school this morning from W.H.Q. to attend the Customer Show this week. I attended the opening exercises for the school at 9:00 - Perry Maubach presiding & Walt Hause spoke for the exercises of the year. Bill Austin attended the opening - he spoke to me before the program, about joining the John City Chamber of Commerce. He told me he, Joe LaFou & Bob Shelding were all joining so I agreed I would be willing to go along with them. At 11:30 I drove home - had some lunch with May - then about 12:15 we drove down to Ewell - I stopped in to see Mr. Seely & told him I would be here this evening - we had arranged with May

to bring his son Don out to see the train platform. Mary & I drove on over to Vestal to see Bob Landon & to get the mortgage straightened out on our home. Bob had the mortgage all drawn up - We paid him the \$1000. ⁵⁰ we got from Mother & a check for \$2109. ⁵² which was the balance to completely pay off IBM for our home. Bob's fee was \$30. ⁰⁰ & the tax & court fees for registering the deed & mortgage was another ^{\$} 38. ⁵⁰ - so it cost us 68.50 just to have the thing re-financed. Mary & I began to think it was cheaper to rent after all. I got back to the Spie about 1:00. Don Sweet came back from lunch & told me of the terrible scare he had had at home - little Frankie has a very bad case of chicken pox & the doctor was afraid it was small pox - he called in another doctor & they finally decided it was a very severe case of chicken pox. It sure gave Don & Mary a scare. I wrote a letter to Joe Hanna & to Joe Washburn to-day. Also one to Bill Leong requesting he return the movie film I sent him on "Milk from Producer to Consumer" - Mr. De Venti has requested it to show the Boys Club in Endicott.

I wrote a letter to Jake Gebhardt & sent it to Mrs. Miller at Washington N.J. to be included in the book they are preparing to present to Jake at his testimonial dinner on the 23rd. of May. I have decided to drive down to N.J. just to attend the dinner. Dr. Emerson called from Cornell this afternoon & asked me to join him & several other training men on the 15th. of May to plan their summer session at Cornell. I hope I can make it. There was a manager meeting at 4:15 - I saw Bill Lakin just before the meeting - he told me to call him up to drive my car to-morrow or after Lakin's funeral - I didn't even know she had died. I explained to Bill that you & I are planning to go to Pk. - Lakin talked to the manager & explained what plan had been made with regard to moving part of the production to Paragonia. The rail line was too many miles floating around & he wanted to have everyone back the facts - he has a ten month plan call for moving three items to plant #2 as soon as the re-loc. is completed - 1. All key driven machine, (Key Powder) - 2. The boiler & 3. The Back Prof. He arrived on

There would be no wholesale transfer of personnel from Endicott to Pk. but that a few key people may be asked to go. Also there would be no layoff at Endicott as other phases of our production would be expanded. There will be 40 some people from Pk. sent to Endicott for training in the job to learn the know-how of these production jobs. Mary met me at the office about 5:15 - we had the girls with her. We gave Drew a ride up to the Homestead - saw Jean Martin - met a Mrs. & Mrs. Estabrook who were with her & had our first look at little George - he sure is a cute baby. Keith is on an extended trip for the company on the West Coast. After supper I put on some old clothes & wiped the dust off the car. Then dressed again - called Drew & at 7:40 drove up to the Homestead got Drew & took him down to church with me to attend our Battle Brotherhood meeting. Perry Starbuck took over as our new President - we had quite a business meeting, Perry sure does a better job than Glen Hutchinson. Dean Battle was our speaker & spoke on "Religion Education & The Good Life" - it was interesting - but Glen

invited a judge member. I served on the re-
finement committee with Dick Riddle & Lowell
Dougher. We had in cream, coffee & cake - I did
the dish washing. Drove Drew back to the Hotel
to get him about 11:30 - May began
to bed. - I wrote some of the notes - packed
my bag for Ok. & turned in about 12:30.

4/29/47 TUESDAY:

Partly cloudy & cool to-day. Got up
at 5:30 - got all packed to leave for Ok.
May got up & fixed me some breakfast. May & I
planned to leave at 6:30 but he called about
6:15 & said he would be 15 minutes late as
his alarm didn't go off. May & I spent the
extra 15 minutes looking over the & ways for
our trip to California. We are very giddy
all wound up about the trip now. I picked
May up in his car at 6:45 & we were on
our way to Ok. I stopped in Dejoria & had
one or two of the beans - they were 35 lbs in
them & I could not tell they were bad.
We stopped at Morenci for a cup and cup
of coffee - took the Ferry at Yerington to
Beaver - had to wait about 10 min. for
it - got to the plant a just 11:50.

Was surprised to find a pile of dirt 10 to 15 feet high along the front of the plant - they are putting in the drainage for the new bldg & to get natural drainage they have to go about 20 feet into the ground with the sewer. At the same makes a real ditch - I took a couple pictures of it. I found Bitty was gone for the day so I couldn't see him above my visit to the Castle Point Veterans Hospital to see Colonel Bates. I had Alice Kowalski in see. While there I learned that the Colonel was out for the day too. Spent all morning with Dave going over our training problems. At 12:45 Mac, Dave, Paul & I had lunch together in the cafeteria - I had Vince Reeder join us so I could talk Jr. Chamber with him. Vince has done a small job this year as President of the P.K. Jaycees in getting the organization back on its feet. - I was pleased to see Bill Maloy back at the plant again - he had been out 12 weeks with a very bad heart attack & is now allowed to spend 4 hr. a day on the job. Had a nice chat with Bill - he looks well but has to take it easy - no excitement - one of the things the doctor has forbidden is after-dinner speaker - that pleased Bill

a lot - we seem to be very stupid about it all. Dave & I continued our discussion all afternoon. About 4:30 Alice got Colonel Bata on the phone for me & I ~~managed~~ to see him at 10:00 to-morrow morning. Dave Bibby came in about 4:45 but he had several people waiting for him so I didn't wait to see him.

At 5:00 up & I followed Willow home - I had never seen Edmund's little girl Joanne - she is 16 mos. old. She is a cute little girl. Mac had never met Will's family. Mrs. Edmund made the mistake of ~~offering~~ offering us a drink of wine - Mac mentioned she was a high spirited girl after we left - I guess he was quite shocked. Mac & I checked in The Yellow House about 6:00 - Dave had gotten us separate rooms - however Mac discovered after he registered he would have Bob Bruce rooming with him. I laid down & got my hair cut after I checked in - then returned to my room & laid down for a short nap. I was dead tired. Mac & I went out for dinner at 7:00 - ate at the Smith Bros. Restaurant. Did ~~some~~ ^{most} shopping after dinner - had our first look at the new IBM Sales Office in Pk. About 8:15 Mac went back to the hotel & I went up to

The class-room. Called Mrs. Campbell & had a nice chat - tried to call Dave Sanford but she & Dave were out. Dave called back after a few minutes & I drove over to the Davis' house. Dave & Davis are living there for the time-being. I gave Davis my sympathy & told her how sorry I was to hear about her father dying. Dave gave out some books & maps they had used on their trip home from California. Davis looked very tired - we all showed the strain she had been under. She & Dave are having a busy time trying to tie all the loose ends of Mrs. Davis' business together to get it settled up. Dave rode over to Edmunds with me at 9:00 to see some slides I had brought down to show Paul Deneel - Paul had a meeting to attend so I arranged to show them to Alice & Peatie. I have stayed up to see some of the slides - Peatie treated us on Pie & Coffee - we had some fun over the matter of her offering wine to Mac. I guess she felt rather badly about it. Left about 11:15 - put the car in the garage & got back to my room about 11:30. Read the paper & wrote some of these notes.

To bed 12:35.

7/30/47 WEDNESDAY:

Very warm & showery to-day. Our warmest day to-date. Got up at 6:45 - Mac & I were down for Bk. at 7:15 - ate with Bob Bruce & Helen Campbell - there were a dozen or more men from Endicott in the Coffe Shop. Dave stopped in - I saw him for a few minutes about the visit to the Castle Point Veteran Hospital. Mac & I checked out & I drove down to the plant - Dave & I continued our discussion & about 9:30 I drove Mac down to the Argentine Shop - saw the enlarged clear room - took a couple pictures of Mac & Arnold. Also took a couple "of the plant with all the dirt piled high in front of it. They have the drainage ditch dug along part of the main beg. for the new beg. It is about 20 feet deep. Dave & I left about 9:50 for Castle Point - it was the first I had ever seen the Veteran Hospital there - they have a beautiful setting on the bank of the Hudson River. We had a very interesting session with Dr. Bates & several of his associates - (Dr. Deegan & Mr. Sweeney) while we were with Dr. Bates Mr. Hochhausen - director of the Alter Work

Shops in The Bronx stopped in - we met him & had an interesting talk on work shops. Dr. Deegan & Mr. Sweeney showed Dave & me the shops they are setting up. They have only started a few months ago & have made a good start. I mentioned our text book & arranged to send them a set to look over. Dave & I got back to the plant about 12:20 - had lunch at the cafeteria. I picked Mary up at the apprentice shop about 1:15 & we left for Endicott. Drove down to Beacon & took the ferry to Newburgh. It was a very warm showery afternoon - we ran into a couple good heavy showers on our way home. I got Mary home about 5:30.

Mary was getting Babe ready for her rental - she looked so nice in her new silk dress. I set up the lights & took a couple of pictures. Mary drove me down to the Lion Club at 6:30. We stopped at the office & I got my mail - also a ten second pencil for Ruth Biegel. Bill Stevens came by - Mary gave him a ride over to his home. I had arranged for Dean Battle to talk to the Lion Club - I had to see Leon Summons & have

him introduce Glenn as I want staying
for the program. I explained to him that
I had to attend a Girl Scout Council Meet-
ing. Glenn admitted he was glad, for he was
giving the same talk he gave at Church today
Evening. I left the meeting right after eating —
it was raining — I got a ride down to
the Masonic Temple in Union with Carol Virginia.
Carol told me he was considering starting a
store in Poughkeepsie. I got to the Girl Scout
Council Meeting before they had finished eating dinner —
had to wait about a half hour. The meeting was
a joint meeting of the Dutchess County & also Dutchess
Endicott Girl Scout Council. Most of the meeting
was devoted to a discussion of whether or not the
dues for the Girl Scouts should be raised from
50¢ to 1.00. I made the suggestion that the
adults be taxed more but not to increase the
dues for the girls — this really stirred up quite
a discussion. I left the meeting about 9:00 &
stood out front waiting for nearly an hour —
boy I was sure sore — the meeting broke up
while I was waiting — I learned each couple
had to take 30 boxes of girl scout cookies so I
got my 30 boxes. Mary finally showed up about
9:50. It was raining quite hard. Mary had

Taken Mrs. De Venti & Keys to the rental
so she had a full car. I drove Keys & his
mother home - Mrs. De Venti bought two
boxes of girl scout cookies. Home 10:15 -
had a bite to eat before putting the
girl to bed. Read the paper - cleaned the
kitchen up some & to bed 11:30. Boy I
sure was tired.

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5/1/47 THURSDAY:

I was dead tired yet this morning - I felt so worn down that I decided not to get up. I slept right on thru to 11:30. Then got up & helped Mary move some bed from one room to another. Had lunch with Mary & then drove down to the office about 1:00. I had a lot of mail, just buried with work. I sure hope Don busy. Drew Daly stopped in for awhile - at 5:00 I drove Drew to the Stone-stead - we stopped over to Union first & I looked at the suit that Bob at Vaughn's was holding for me. I decided to buy it - Bob assured me there was only one other suit like it & that Ralph LaTourette had bought that one. Got home about 6:00 - cleaned up a bit & at 6:45 Mary & I drove up to the Homestead to the Custom Diner. Perry Starbuck was away so Bill Dawson presided - Walt Hahn spoke. Drew Daly was a member of the class - he introduced us to Mr. Orr - a member of the customer group who was from Stockton Calif. After the dinner about 9:30 - Drew & Mr. Orr rode home with us. We spent an hour or so looking over the maps & getting his suggestions on our trip to Calif. and especially his ideas as to what we should

see in Calif. He gave me a lot of good ideas. We played some pin ball - Drew couldn't break 100,000 - I got the highest 109,000. Drove up. Dan & Drew back to the Homestead about 11:25. My vaccination bothered me quite a bit to-night - my whole arm & side are sore. Mary has a terrible cold to-night - is just about down & out. To bed 12:00.

5/2/47 FRIDAY:

A very rainy day - got up at 7:00 - drove down to the office about 8:15 - took Babs & Mary down to school. Left the Buick at the garage to be lubricated & to have the oil changed at 5568 mi. It was raining so the boy drove me over to the office. Had a very long day. Wrote letter to Conoco & also to Standard Oil to-day asking for more information on the trip to California. Also wrote Mr. Batten & on local AAA Office. Received a letter from Roger Williams this morning - he said Artie had told him about my trip to Calif. - He said that it might get rainy if I were

gone a month without any assignments so he had made one for me. He has arranged for me to talk to the San Jose Twinie Club on either June 9 or 16th. which ever one would suit me best. I believe I can make it on the 9th. - I certainly would like to do it.

Drew Daly was in the office several times this morning - I called Bob Landon over so he could give Drew & me an account of his discussion with Fish & Charlie Daly at W.H.Q. on the matter of our Gen. Edu Program being in line with the Wage & Hour Law. At W.H.Q. they are quite concerned about some of the courses being considered hours worked by the labor dept. Although they have received an OK from the authority in N.Y.C. They believe we should take the whole story to Washington & get a dispensation if necessary directly from headquarters. Bob & I agree with them on that.

I had Gay Davis prepare some data on the whole matter & I hope Bob & I might get to Washington next week. I went over to see Van Borden this morning - he told me he had asked Alton, when he was at W.H.Q. this week, to be relieved of his assignments as chairman of the Dept. - said he didn't have

time to do it - I thought he was bidding when he told me several weeks ago that he had planned to resign. I told Van I was sorry to hear it for the Dept. had really improved under his guidance. He said he didn't know what would happen. Miss Downing of the Drake & Downing Inc. called me this morning - she is now looking after Glen Drake & wanted to see me - I arranged to see her at 1:30 - she also wanted to meet Miss Klein so I stopped in the personnel Dept. & arranged for Eleanor to stop over to my office at 1:30. I saw Ralph & told him about my new visit - he seemed very much pleased with her. Drove home at 11:30 - had lunch with Mary - she had slept all morning - she has a terrible cold. Did some shopping for Mary after lunch - also mailed the letter to Conoco for my Travellaide Book. Got back to the office about 1:15 - Eleanor drove stopped in about 1:30 & Miss Downing came about 2:00. She showed me a lot of testimonials written to Glen Drake - is interested in conducting a series of lectures on using your pen -

sonality for the Business & Professional Women. Eleanor is Vice Pres. of the local B. P. W.s. She was not an example of what the modern business women should be - she had on an old faded sweater & her hair was ill kept - in short she just looked terrible - & it was even more noticeable comparing her with Miss Downing who was just the opposite - she was really dressed nice. Then to top it off Eleanor sat slouched in her chair & had her eyes closed most of the time - I was really ashamed of her. I had Lorraine Beale come in to meet Miss Downing - also arranged to have her talk with Harry Eldred who is Program Chairman for the Jr. C. I. C. — Oh Yes! Drew Daly called from the office this noon & reminded me I had forgotten to bring down the box of girl scout cookies so after lunch I drove over to the Homestead with them - he was leaving on the 2:10 train for Hoboken. — Spent quite a bit of time with Carl Snyder to-day on the Extension activity - we still have over 3000 enrolled. About 4:15 I drove over to Vaughn's & had my new suit fitted - back to the office at 5:00 - Did some more shopping & got home about 5:45. Mary

& I both felt just stone down & out - we were
very we hadn't cancelled our plans for this
evening. My vaccination is really going to
take - my whole arm & side are sore. I
helped Mary clean up the house some.

Oh Yes - the Kirks came in from N.Y.C.
This evening - it was good to see
lights up there on the hill again. Bill
& Joan Stevens came over about 8:30 for
the evening. Bill announced they were
expecting in Sept. - he was so coy
about it - he sure is a different fellow
since he got married. I showed them
some music & we also played Pin Ball
for awhile - Mary fixed some hamburgers
for refreshments - we forgot that Joan
is Catholic & that this is Friday. Bill
& Joan left about 11:45 - Mary & I both
felt so down & out we were really glad
the evening was over - We did the dishes
& the house in about 12:15 - my vaccination
sure is giving me a terrible reaction - I
ate all our & my arm & side are really
sore - & here I thought it wasn't even
going to take at first. - To bed 12:15

5/3/47 SATURDAY:

Warm & showery to-day. Got up at 7:30 - after breakfast - about 9:00 I drove down town - stopped over to Westfall's Hardware Store in Vestal & looked at the magnesium lawn mower I had called & ordered - it was the same as the one I had seen at Hansen's & it was $\$28.60$ where as Ben was asking $\$24.95$ so I cancelled my order & stopped back to Hansen - bought the lawn mower & a tire tester - also spoke to Bennett about my porcelainize job next Tue. Stopped at John Smith's & got some Hudolone for the car radiator - John showed me his new hoist. Got back home about 10:15 - Mary & the girls were ready so we left right away for Binghamton - stopped at the Bing. Laundry then Mary took the girls in Metro Studio for their dancing lesson. I stopped around to Run's to check on the Telephoto lens & a 35 m.m. camera - Run is trying to get me. He still hasn't gotten them & I want them for the trip. Run let me bring home a new aluminum Kodak tripod & also a new Revue Projector to try out. I stopped back to meet Mary & the girls at the studio & ran

into Mr. & Mrs. DeVenti on the street - they
were in Metro Studio with me - Mrs. DeVenti
got the biggest kick out of seeing Bob &
May-Lou dance. May & I & the girls
did some shopping for me & ourselves -
went to French, Fair Store & the new mag-
azine - didn't see just what we wanted.

Stopped by the Steak Shop in Johnson City
for lunch about 2:00 - had a swell steak.
Came on home about 3:00 - May & I
both felt so fogged we laid down
for a rest - we both felt like calling
Bob & Jan to tell them we had to
cancel the plan for to-night. However we
felt a little better after some rest. May
fixed us an late supper about 7:00 - I
helped her some with the dishes - just
didn't feel like doing anything - I never thought
a vacation could make you feel so bad. I
showed Bob & May-Lou some movie to
test the new Movie Projector - Charlie Love
had told me how much more steady the
pictures were on the new projector. I couldn't
notice much improvement & the machine is
actually not many more than my Model 10.
Bob & Jan came on about 8:45 with

Bob & Mother & Father - I hadn't met Mr. & Mrs. Sheridan before - they are a very nice couple. We had an interesting time discussing our trip to Banff & Lake Louise last year. I showed some movies - actually forgot I had sent my movie of Banff & Lake Louise out to Shawin to Bill Long. However I had my slides on the trip to Mr. & Mrs. Sheridan seem to really enjoy them. They raved over them! Mr. Sheridan got quite a kick out of the train platform. The Sheridans also liked my giant job in the Kitchen. Mr. & Mrs. Sheridan are planning another trip to Banff & Lake Louise leaving on June 14th. According to their plans they may be in Seattle Wash. about the same time we are there. They are planning to send us a card at Jack & Dorothy's. Bob or his folks have no car so I drove them home about 11:45. When I got home Mary said she had just answered a knock at the door, thinking it was me she came down in her night gown & there it was a taxi driver in - giving for an address. Was she embarrassed! Helped Mary some wash up the glasses & dishes - To bed 12:30. —

5/4/47 SUNDAY:

Warm & rainy to-day - got up about 8:00 - had to hurry around with breakfast & to get ready for Sunday School. I felt a little tired to-day. Drove Bates & May down to Sunday School - in Dame Biddy for a minute - he asked me how I had well on with Colonel Bates. We had Captain Popple on quite greater from Sunday School Class this morning. He gave us an interesting talk on the Police Dept. I was sorry to learn that even an experienced officer makes only \$2860.00/ year & out of that he has to live his own expenses & more of his equipment. I got the girls after Sunday school & came home - May had gone back to bed - the cold is still raining down. This variation of mine we went on a voyage to-day - one of the big blisters decide to give in & run running out of it all day - I have mixed two shots with you in the mean. May got some dinner for us & then laid down again - I did some work on the car - it was so nice & warm outside - I drained & flushed the radiator & put in the hydrotone. Barbara went on

To Kirk to play with Sally. The Kirk left for N.Y. this afternoon - they drove down. I fixed the tire on Barbara's bike & then had her wash it. I wrote a long letter to Dad telling him I would be coming down on the 23rd. May got in some supper about 6:00 - I put up the kitchen clock - I had taken it apart & repainted the shell. Babe & May Lou had an evening listening to radio programs. I set-up & developed 3 - 35 m.m. film Kodak Plus-X. May felt much better - she even did some house cleaning up stain & kept me company while I developed the film. To bed 11:15.

5/5/47 MONDAY:

A very rainy day - got up at 7:00 - still felt terrible from my vaccination. Drove down to the office about 8:10 - Took Babe & May Lou to school. My arm bothered me a lot this morning. Saw Van Gorden - he told me he had seen Harry Teeter, the fellow who bought the lot next to our house, and had asked him about selling me 10' of his lot. I was glad to learn that he is willing to do so. At 9:00 I attended a Customer School opening - Bill Davison presided & Walt Harris spoke on

a representative of the plant. It was a ~~big~~ Control Class - just a small group. Boy I sure felt terrible this morning - I had hot plaster & chills - decided to go over to have Dr. Welch take a look at my vaccination. Called & got an appointment for 11:00. Doc took a quick look at it & said it was a dandy - worth a million dollars - said I would never get small pox. He advised my getting some ice on my arm & side if it bothered me too much. I learned there were quite a few IBM people having trouble with the vaccination. I sure feel sorry for them. Gave Dan a lot of letters this morning. I drove home at 12:00 - had a bite of lunch with Mary & then laid down on the couch. Mary took my temperature - I had a fever of $101\frac{1}{2}$. The nurse at Hopper School called & told Mary that Barbara had a fever & should go home. Mary drove down & got her - she had a fever of 102° . She said she felt OK but Mary put her to bed. I got up about 3:00 & returned to the office - stopped at Endwell & got Mary some groceries - also stopped down town Endicott & got a pair of dry rubber. It was still rain -

ing - got back to the office about 4:00. Just in time for the meeting Bob Landon & I had planned with Bill Lewis. Bill was ready to see us - Bob & I went over to his office - first we brought up the matter of the interpretation which Fitch & Charlie Daly on W.H.Q. had given the Wage & Hour Law with reference to the courses we offer in our Gen. Edu. Program - they had advised Landon that some of our shop & technical courses might be considered 'home worked' & that to be safe we should take a report on the whole program directly to the Labor Dept. at Wash. to get a dispensation from them if necessary. I feel this would be a hazardous thing to do since they might come up with something which would wreck our whole program. I had with me the data I had Bob Sheridan & Ray Javis prepared for me showing the types of employees by occupation taking each course in the current program. I showed this to Bill Lewis, also a report on the number of regular job training courses we have also conducted this year & a copy of the Bulletin Board Notice M.P. Watson prepared in 1935 ~~for~~ on the Voluntary Aspect of the Gen. Edu. Program. I explained my stand to Bill & told him I would rather not take the matter to Washington under we were actually

point to do so - he seemed to agree with me. Bill thought we were actually in the clear on what we were doing - Bob finally came up with a solution - he advised writing the letter to W.H.Q. giving them the whole story & the report I had prepared - indicating that we felt that our program was not in violation of the law. Bill agreed this would be best - so now we hope Fink, Daly & Chancery will be satisfied with the data we send them & not force the issue I am going to Washington. Bob also brought up the matter of payment of our instructor - according to the information Bob brought back from W.H.Q. we would have to pay time & half for the overtime hours worked by any employee instructor at the end of the week on those hours after he had worked 40 hrs. This seems very unreasonable since his teaching work is entirely aside from his regular work - but Bob explained that the law demands it. Bill told me to try to work up some plan that we thought would work & then let him see it so I suggested to Bob that we get together with Fay & Bob Hendon to-morrow. I still feel pretty bad from my vaccination. Left the office & drove home about 5:10.

I felt so bad I gave up the idea of going to the girl scout committee meeting with Mary. She went without me - got some supper for me & the girls & then left about 6:00. It was a dinner meeting in the Central Methodist Church in Union. I had supper with Barb & Mary Lou & then had them clean up the kitchen before going to - bed. I felt so bad I couldn't even help them - read the paper - dated some films & then laid down on the couch. Mary didn't get home until 10:45 - they sure do drag out those girl scout meeting - we left early before so Mary decided she would stay until the end this time. Helped Mary do the dishes & to - bed at 11:30.

5/6/47 TUESDAY:

Cold & rainy to - day - got up at 7:00 & were surprised to learn that Barbara had broken out with chicken pox in the night. Boy, - she was covered with them this morning. Mary Lou cried at first & then she couldn't wait to get to school so she could pass on the big news about Barbara. Actually Barb was getting chicken pox yesterday & we didn't realize it - in fact she showed me a little pimple on her back

before going to - in last night but I didn't
 think anything about chicken - nor. I felt
 much better to - day - I hope the worse
 of my vaccination is past & I'm now glad
 of it. Drove down to the plant about 8:00 -
 took ~~the~~ May Lou to school - she ran dir-
 ectly to the first group of kids when I let
 her out & said "Gwen What!" - "Barbara
 for the Children - Pix." I got quite a kick
 out of it - she could hardly wait to tell
 them. May & I were a bit surprised that
 they would let May Lou go to school - but
 May called Mr. Wiley & he said there was
 no rule against it. - I took the Buick to
 Haven this morning to be gocelained.
 Geo. the man who does it showed me the
 stuff he uses - it is the liquid - the
 on - a dark liquid is rubbed on first &
 you tripped leaving a hard dull finish on
 the car & then the second) a white liquid
 is rubbed on & polished down to a hard dry
 finish with a very high gloss. - Called Bob
 Johnson this morning to meet with
 Ray, Bob Wiley & I on the matter of pay-
 ing an induction in accordance with the
 Way & How Law. Bob insists we have to

pay employee instruction time & half time on the last
hours worked in the week when the instruction time &
the regular work hours total over 40 hrs. It sure
seems like a screwy set-up. After discussing all
the various angles & also the possibility of designat-
ing the preparation time which will really make our
payments to instructors high — we came up
with the idea of limiting our faculty to only
exempt employees since they do not come
under the law. Actually both Ray & I had
been thinking of this as a possible solution. It
seems a bit — unfair to some of our own employees
to exclude all non-exempt employees & it
will mean in a few cases we would have
to go on the outside to get instructors, but
we can get them. Bob agreed this would be
perfectly OK — so I decided to pass it on
to Alton as our recommendation. Had lunch at
the cafeteria with Ray & after lunch he walked
over to Hansen with me to see the car.
Geo. had the one side of the hood grecelained.
Boy, it sure does make a difference — even
seems like a darker green. Geo. seems to
take great pride in his work. Saw Ray
this afternoon & learned he had been having
trouble with his vaccination — was really sick.

I am sympathetic with him. Mary & I are still undecided on the letter to make Charlie Webster a manager or Levin suggested. Actually he is a Cliff but with the name as Levin. Called Saenger this afternoon - he is coming to Endicott to-morrow. Had a lot of correspondence to get on. Couldn't get my car to-night so I called Jeff Knight & got a ride home with him. Back over some covered with Chelan Pox to-night - I feel very feeble - she had them in her ear, mouth, between the toes & just about everywhere. After supper to-night I washed the dishes for Mary & then I scrubbed the kitchen floor with a special cleaner to remove all the dirt so it will be ready to paint. Then I put the window on the door - this evening - I put some red in the white paint to make it a pink so it will make it nice for the girls' room to cover. Mary tried to call Mother several times this evening but couldn't get her. I also dictated some letters this evening. I hope we are going to feel well again. My vacation is beginning to drag on. To-bed 11:15.

5/7/47 WEDNESDAY:

A very rainy day. Got up at 6:45 - hurried around & at 7:45 Jeff Knight stopped by for me & gave me a ride down to the office. Left my bag at the office & then walked over to Hansen's to see the car. Geo. had the parcelizing job well along & assured me I could have the car at noon. Blachie stopped over & we had quite a chat - brought Blachie up to date on some of the activity. Blachie suggested I arrange to have the apprentice attend the Customer School Dinner at the Homestead. Had a session with Gay & Bob this morning & got their help on a report on the analysis I on Gen. Eng. Program with regard to the Wage & Hour Law. I prepared some data for Bob Landon to send to W. H. Q. At 11:35 I stopped over to Hansen's - Geo. had the parcelizing job finished - the Buick sure looked swell - he had touched up the spots that needed painting & also painted the tires. He really did a good job - I tipped him 1⁵⁰. It was raining & it seemed a shame to drive the car out into it with it absolutely spotless. I drove home & had some lunch with Mary - then I drove over to Binghamton - took

The Revere Projector back to Run that I had borrowed - also took over my royal tri-pod - made a deal with Run on the tripod - he swapped my royal for the new eye-level Kodak Aluminum Tripod I had + \$14.00. That is a good deal considering that the new Tripod & pan-head ~~retail~~ ^{\$} for 35.00. Did some other shopping & returned to my office about 1:30. — Got a call from Mr. V. O. Mr. Douglas at W.H.Q. — he said he had ~~given~~ letter to me saying Kirk would be unable to attend our Study Club meeting & to be on speaker next Tue. Kirk had asked Douglas to speak for him but Douglas told me he thought he would have to be in Chicago - but would let me know to - morrow. Called Frank Furman & let him know the bad news. I tried to call Alter this afternoon but couldn't get him. Had a very long afternoon - a lot of letters to get out. Went down town at 4:30 & did some shopping for May - back to the office at 5:00 but were right on time. Returned to the office at 5:45 - Ray & I listen to the speaker, Mr. A. C. Deatin - Distinct Dir. of F.H.A., talk to the Home Planning Class.

on finishing - he was quite interesting. About 6:00 I drove down to Hotel Frederick. Fred Bryant was there waiting for me - Fred was our speaker for our Open Meeting - I presented him to the group & he gave a really nice talk. I was quite pleased - every one seemed to like it. I paid him \$5.00.

We had a short Director Meeting following our regular meeting - we voted upon several requests for extended leave of absence - we have gotten a bit disturbed about this - there are too many asking for permission to be excused from attending meetings. I & Dan out to Labor & met Fred after the director meeting - Gay had come down to our meeting to see Fred etc. She showed Fred & I some tricks. He has a collection of them & seems to enjoy showing them. I came on home about 9:15 - got some finger custard & brought it down for Barbara - Mary & I took it up - tried to eat & we all ate it together - Barbara has been in bed with the Chicken Pox since Tue. morning. She certainly is spletted with them. I did a little painting in the laundry - put on some more undercoat. To bed 11:30.

5/8/47 THURSDAY:

Partly cloudy & very cold to-day - a most unusual day - several snow flurries. Got up at 7:00 - Mary drove me down to the office about 8:00 - took Mary Lou to school. Had a very busy day. Palmer Hager stopped in this morning & brought me up to date on his Horse Race Game - he is having a search made by Beach the same old fellow who made the search for me on the skater mech. Palmer showed me one of the little horses he uses in his game - it sounds like he may something good. I talked with Alton at W.H.Q. this morning - asked to come down to see him to-morrow but he said he would be too busy - so I told him about the session I had with Landon & with Lewis on the Wage & Hour Law - Dwayne agreed with our decision to limit our Gen. Edu. Program Faculty to exempt employees only - however he suggested we give nothing in writing announcing our such policy. Dwayne told me he had just gotten or was thinking of getting a model C3 Argus Camera & asked my advise. I told him Ray had traded his older Argus camera for a model C3 & I thought they were worth the money.

They list for about \$10.00 & have the bill in full feature. I told Duwayne I would be glad to help him in getting more serious into his photography. Duwayne also said he thought Edna might be coming up for the weekend - I told him we would be glad to meet her if he would let me know how & when she is coming. He said he would let me know. Had lunch at 11:30 with Ray at the cafeteria. Dave Sanford called about 12:00 from Binghamton and he, Dave & the interim husband were all having lunch at the Community. After lunch I stopped over to see Cy M. Elwin - told him about Fred inquiring whether Charlie was a manager. Cy agreed with Fred & I that he shouldn't be classed as a manager - however Cy did think Charlie should be given a \$10.00 raise - he also opposed raising Fred & Jerry. I told Cy about Dave Sanford coming up to look over the job that is being moved to Pennsylvania. Got some ideas from Cy - the matter of a job training center - he agreed we should have one. Dave arrived about 2:00 - I called Bob Lansen over to dinner with Ray, Dave & I the matter of paying interim under the new plan - Dave didn't like an idea of using only employee's employee - this would give him more than Ray. We asked Bob to determine what

we would have to pay for preparation time - if this could be eliminated - the whole matter would be much more simple. Bob said he doubted whether we could get around this but he would check it further. About 2:45 - I had to go up to Room 202 for an opening of a Customer School - I was rather surprised - as it was a very irregular time. It was a small group of about 15 men from Montgomery & Ward Co. - they are having only a three day school. I received a wire from Vice Pres. Douglas this afternoon saying he could not be with us next Tue. for our Study Club meeting. I told Frank Furman & we agreed to wait until Kitch's letter came in before taking further steps. Mary stopped down for me at 5:15. Oh Yes - I took Dave over & introduced him to Furman about 4:00 & left him there to talk with Frank on the Study Club. One of Dave's missions to Endicott is that of getting lined up to start a Study Club at Plant #2. When I got home I put on some old clothes & painted some more after supper in the laboratory. Dave called about 8:00 & I drove down to the Hotel to get him. Brought him out to the home. Played some Pin Ball & showed Dave the train platform - he had never seen it all

set up as it is in the basement. Had quite a chat with Dave about his trip back from England - got some suggestion from him. I did some more painting while Dave & Mary played piano well. Dave really liked my paint job in the kitchen. About 11:00 I drove Dave back to the Hotel & then hurried home to paint the kitchen floor - I was determined not to let it go any longer. Mary helped me some cleaning the floor. By 2, the blue floor was much a big difference. It just set off the entire job. Mary went on to bed about 12:00 - I finished the painting about 12:30 - To bed 12:30.

5/9/47 FRIDAY:

Partly cloudy & very cool to-day - had some more snow flurries. Got up at 7:00 - we had to be careful of the paint on the kitchen floor this morning. Drove down to the plant at 8:00 - took Mary down to school. Saw Mrs. this morning & told her I again will try yesterday. Dave came in at 8:30. I called Brubaker over & we discussed the use of visual aids in the new training program at Poughkeepsie - as usual Brubaker has a lot of fancy ideas - however we can use some of his

suggestion. Took Dave over to Main Office & arranged with Mac to take Dave around to the various managers & to help him on looking over the jobs that are going to be moved to Poughkeepsie. - The letter from Kirk came in this morning saying he could not be with us for the Study Club meeting next Tue. He gave ^{as} the reason the fact that he expects to leave in the near future for Europe & has a lot of things which demands his attention at W.H.Q. before he can leave. I took Kirk's letter & also Dodge's wire over to show them to Frank Furman - he was having a meeting of the Study Club Officers - Ralph La Tourette, Ray Davis, Paul Marini & Dodge Powell. We agreed we would like to ask Tom Watson Jr. to be our speaker but Frank thought I should talk to Kirk about it first - so I put in a call to W.H.Q. for Mr. Kirk. Finally when the call went thru I discovered that Mr. Kirk was in Endicott - I called him home & got Shirley - she told me Mr. Kirk had gone down to the plane. I called Harris' Office & discovered he was in Lewis' Office right then in the Lab. - Talked with Charlie & told him how sorry we were he couldn't be our speaker - asked him advise on calling Tom Watson Jr. - he said it would be nice to

do so but he thought Tom Jr. couldn't make it. Kirk suggested Mr. Phillips or Charlie Love, but also doubted whether they could come. I asked Charlie about our getting Bill Lewis if Tom Jr. couldn't make it & he agreed that would be good. - I put a call in for Tom Jr. at W.H.Q. but he was out of his office. - Ralph & Ray had some fun joking about their campaign for President of our Study Club. We have all had some fun bidding them. Actually I don't think Ray has a chance against Ralph. We stopped back to the office with Dave about 12:30 & I went to lunch with them in the cafeteria. Had ^{had} May ^{had} some time with Dave again this afternoon - about 2:00 I drove down town & over to Union - got my new suit at Vaughn - a \$60.00 suit, Shafner & Marks. Also picked out a pair of slacks & a couple of sport shirts for the trip - however I bring them home. Got back to the office about 3:00 - put the call in again to Tom Jr. - finally got him about 4:00 - he was very nice about it but explained he couldn't make it as he had a Boy Scout Council Meeting to attend next Tue. Tom has just recently been made Commissioner of Boy Scouts in N.Y.C. Tom

also said - he was young & healthy & that we could get him sometime later. - spent part of the afternoon with Ray & Dave discussing our mutual problems in the Gen. Edu. Program. I got out a couple of general letters to all the boys. Had quite a few things to finish up as I won't be in the first of the week. Saw Van Golden & told him of my plans for next week. Perry Starbuck stopped in & I brought Perry up to date on what we had been doing. About 5:10 I drove Dave down to the Hotel Frederick - he was ~~very~~ ^{now} getting the limousine down to the air-port & taking the 6:00 plane to Ottawa - plans to spend the weekend with Dave & her sister. I arranged to go back to Poughkeepsie with Dave & Dave Sunday night. Did some shopping for Mary & then drove home - Oh Yes! I stopped around to Al Wair's this afternoon & borrowed his telephoto lens for my movie camera. I'm in swell of Al to let me have it. Charlie Cheney also let me have his wide angle lens for my Leica. Boy! I sure am going to be well equipped. After supper I went up to Brown to get some moulding for the floor in the kitchen - didn't have it.

Painted some more in the laundry this evening.
Also finished painting the Lion emblem for the car. May made me a bracket for it in the Apprentice Shop - I got it to-day. I tried my camera on the new tripod - they run well - I can hardly wait to start the trip.
Read the paper & to - see 11:30. —

5/10/47 SATURDAY.

Clear & warmer to-day - a beautiful day. Got up about 8:00 - wrote some of my back notes in the book & May came down & got breakfast about 8:30 - about 8:45 I drove down town - got my hair cut - did some shopping on the Ave. & in Union - stopped at Beckwith's Garage Yard for some welding & was home about 10:00. Had just time to wash the car before May had to leave for Binghamton at 10:30 with May Lee for her dancing lesson at 11:00. It was the first time I had washed the car since I had galvanized it. It sure looks good! Barb had to miss her dancing lesson - her chicken-pox are beginning to dry up a little but she won't be able to go out for another week yet. I started putting on the finish coat in

The Laundry - light blue ceiling & pink
enamel walls. It sure looks nice. Went
up to Brown & got the moulding cut for the
kitchen. At 12:30 I fixed up a little lunch
for Babe & me - washed the dishes & then
did some more painting in the laundry. Mary
& Mary Lou didn't get home until about 4:00.
I took my movie camera & tried out to
try out the telephoto lens I borrowed from
Al Ware. Took some comparison shots with it -
first using my regular lens & then the telephoto
lens with the same setting. Robert De Venti
came over - I put the Lions Emblem on the
front bumper - it looks very nice. I fixed
some chemicals to get ready to print pictures
to-night - after supper I did some more
painting & then about 7:30 I started printing
pictures - got in a very busy evening.
After she got the girls to bed Mary drove
down town & went to the movies - saw
"The Sea of Grass" with Spencer Tracy & Katharine
Hepburn. I printed three of my 35 m.m. film -
have 3 more to print - at least I got
nearly up to date on my printing. The
last ones I printed were taken in March.
Mary got home about 11:00 - had some

ice cream for me. She said the picture was wonderful. Mary helped me some & I finished painting the kitchen floor - the part around the screen door. It sure looks good - got it finished - cleaned up & to bed about 12:50.

5/11/47 SUNDAY:

Another clear, beautiful day. Got up about 8:00 - it sure was a nice day for Mother's Day. I got dressed & at 9:30 I took Mary down to Sunday School - Barb had to stay home with her children - Fox. I thought about the Billy girl when I was nearly down town - so I turned back - but I met Virginia - bringing the door. I stayed for the music class - Ben gave us his usual fine interpretation of the lesson. After Sunday School I got Mary down & turned home so Mary could go back to church. I put on my old clothes & went back to work on the paint job - had a lot of little odd jobs to do. Helped Mary get dinner when she got home at 12:20. Mary & I are both pleased with the kitchen - it looks so nice. Painted the pictures after dinner. John Smith stopped in with his jeep this afternoon - I showed John my paint job -

also the train platform & pin ball game.
 John had planned to take the girls for a
 ride in the jeep but the Walker came about
 that time. Della had called & wanted
 to see the pictures - I told her I had just
 ed some of Marilyn last night. Ralph &
 Della had Mrs. Brown & Marilyn with them.
 They didn't come in as they were afraid
 Marilyn might get the Chicken Pox. Ralph &
 Della seemed pleased with the pictures - I
 charged them a dollar for them so they don't
 think I am giving them something - I think
 it is better that way. - I put a slide
 film in my Leica after they left & took a
 couple of color pictures of the car - one of
 the Lion Emblem on the front bumper. Mary
 let Babe go out door & play for awhile - it
 was such a beautiful day. I got my bag
 packed & dressed ready to leave for Poughkeepsie
 about 4:30 - Mary fixed me a sandwich or
 a bit of supper. Dave & Dave arrived
 about 5:20 just as I was about to eat the
 sandwich. We left about 5:45 for
 Poughkeepsie. Dave was driving Dave's father's
 1938 Buick - that is a lot better than
 Dave's old Plymouth. Below Standock

Dave broke the accelerator pedal & had to use the hand throttle from then on in. He stopped a couple of places to get it fixed but couldn't get anyone to do it. He explained all the way on in about Buicks breaking down - it got in a friendly argument about Buicks vs Plymouths. Arrived here at the Nelson House about 10:30. Didn't bother stopping on the way down for anything to eat so after I checked in at the Hotel I walked down the street to the new City Diner for a sandwich & some coffee. Returned to my room #424 - wrote these notes - read the paper - took a shower & To-bed 12:00.

5/12/47 MONDAY:

A beautiful day - clear & warm - a lovely spring day. I over slept this morning - I had my time alarm clock set for 6:50 & it went off - but I turned it off & never remembered even hearing it. Luckily I did wake up at 7:30. Dave had planned to meet me at 7:45 so I really hurried around. Showered, dressed, packed & was down in the lobby with my bags in about 7:50 - Dave was there waiting for me. I checked

out of the Nelson House - did better with any
breakfast - rode down to the plant with
Dave. Learned from Alice that Dave
wouldn't be in to-day - he stayed in Endicott.
Dave & I had a chat with Ray Sheridan
on the training program for the new model
electric typewriter - Ray gave some good
suggestions again - he was in against using
visual aids in the form of pictures. He
promised to give Dave some help in getting
lined up with the instructional material on the
new machine. Dave & I stopped in the little
assembly room where they are putting together
15 models of the new machine - Frank Ritz
is in charge of the project - he showed me a
couple of finished machines. One was in a nice
looking typewriter - got it all over the old one.
Dave & I left the plant about 9:40 & drove
up town - Dave had to get a tube for his
car - I went to the dinner to get some break-
fast. Then while Dave had the tube put in the
car I did some shopping for letter decal for
my car - couldn't find them anywhere in Binghamton.
While Dave packed his bag I took
his old Plymouth & drove over to Campbell -
returned the book Mary had borrowed from

Mrs. Campbell - had a nice chat with Mrs. Campbell. Dave & I left for West Point about 11:00 - drove down the 1st East Street & over Bear Mountain Bridge - it was a beautiful morning & a beautiful drive. Arrived here at the U. S. Hotel Thayer about 12:15 - checked in, & then registered for the Annual Meeting of the American Association for Adult Education. Saw Dr. Spence of the N. Y. State Education Dept. - he is the only one attending this I know. Had a look around & about 1:30 we attended the first Luncheon Meeting - there were about 125 present - I had expected to see a larger group. We had a very nice lunch - then the key note speaker for the conference was Dr. Edward C. Lindeman - Prof. of Social Work, N. Y. School of Social Work, Columbia Univ. He spoke on Adult Education and the Democratic Discipline - gave an excellent talk. It was the first time I had ever heard him. I went up & introduced myself after the meeting & learned he was Dr. Lindeman's father as I had surmised. He told me he no longer owned the place out at High Bridge N.J. - At 3:30 we all joined in the Ballroom for a panel discussion on

The subject "Factors Effecting the Success or Failure of Adult Education". Dave & I stepped out at 4:15, I got my movie camera & Leica & we drove over to the West Point Parade Grounds - got there just in time for the cadet parade & drill. I got some movie & color slides - used the telephone lens on the movie & the wide angle lens on the Leica. It was a beautiful afternoon - grand picture weather. It is a thrilling sight to see the cadet parade. It is all over in about a half hour - 4:30 to 5:00. Dave drove down town in the little town of Highland Falls & we did some shopping. Dave had a bad day - bothered all day with what he calls Rose Fever - it is just like hay fever only this time of year they call it Rose Fever. Came back to the room & had a short nap - then at 6:45 we drove back down town for dinner - ate at a little restaurant Benny Haven's just fair. Got back to the Hotel in time for the evening meeting at 8:00 in the Ballroom. They showed a movie entitled "The Bridge" showing Business, Agriculture & Industry of South America - the airplane in the Bridge for South America to other countries. Lawrence Duggan, Director, Institute of International

Education spoke on "The Implications for Adult Education on World Citizenship" - he gave a good talk but was too long. Dave & I hurried back to our room after the talk about 10:00 - Dave called his wife & had her call Will about meeting us to-morrow morning. I recalled this evening that I had forgotten to pick up my return reservation at Binghamton before I left home - so Dave & I figured out how I could go back Wednesday on the train to Albany & then a Robinon Plane to Endicott. I called Mary & asked her to call & on her to-morrow & had him cancel my train reservation & get me a seat on the 5:45 plane from Albany to Endicott. - Willber called back a little later & told Dave he had an invitation from Ketch Office to attend a dinner for the retiring Superintendent of schools of N.Y.C. Dr. John Wade at the Waldorf Astoria on Thursday night - that raised the question as to whether I may also have an invitation back home. Dave & I read the paper here in the room & then turned in about 11:15. Wrote a letter to ^{brother} Ray & one to Daly to-night.

5/13/47 TUESDAY:

Partly cloudy to-day - however bright this morning - got very warm to-day. Got up about 7:30 - had breakfast in the dining room here at the Hotel Mayer - saw Mrs. Rhea Echel of Syracuse & spoke to her. Dave & I met Wilbur in the lobby about 9:15 - there were quite a few who arrived to-day. I saw my old friend Dr. Davis, Pres. of Stevens' class. Dave, Will & I sat in on the business session at 9:30 - I spoke to Mr. Morse A. Cartwright after the meeting - introduced myself & gave him Dwayne's message that he was sorry he couldn't attend the meeting. At 11:00 Dave, Will & I split up & each went to a different session - I attended the one on Community Organization led by Dr. Ralph Spence - he had us each introduce ourselves first. We discussed Principles of Community Organization for Adult Education. Will attended the session on Preparation of Materials & Dave the one on Adult Psychology. I took a couple pictures of the Hotel this morning also had Will take one of Dave & I. I got a letter from Don this noon - but not an answer on my transportation -

just some information from the office. The luncheon session was interesting - they had six ex G.I.s tell of their view on the "Veterans View of Adult Education Essentials". Then at 3:00 Will was in on the Workshop session on "Family Life Problem" - Dave & I attended the one on "Industrial & Business Programs for Training and Education". I had an opportunity to tell the small group about our program in IBM - I was pleased there was so much interest in it - but as usual the discussion finally got around to me on Union & how can you get the Union to cooperate on training of certain types. After the session a Mr. Morton of the Univ. of Alabama came up & spoke to me - said he would like to have a man from IBM come down & talk to a group of business men at the Univ. of Alabama - he said he didn't want an Educator but a Business Man - I suggested Mr. Kirk & he said he would write him.

Will left after the session was over at 4:45 to drive back to Dongbeysie - he seemed pleased that I had asked him to attend the meetings to-day. Dave called the plane to-day & learned from Alice that Will &

his wife had also been invited to attend the dinner for Dr. Wade at the Waldorf on Thursday Evening. I received a telegram from Don this afternoon telling me I had a reservation on Flight #23 to-morrow from Albany to Erie - Don didn't mention the dinner at N.Y.C. so it apparently doesn't include me - for which I am thankful, for I do want to attend the meeting at Cornell on Thu. Dad & I attended the session at 4:45 on Leadership Training - led by Paul Sheets of the Univ. of Calif. It turned out to be just a session of bashing around the definition of a leader - Many in the group got the idea a good leader of a group was one who inspired leadership in others in a group & let them take the lead. Dad & I felt the session was pretty much a loss of time as far as we were concerned. Got out of the meeting about 6:00 & drove down town in Highland Falls to do some shopping but the stores were closed. Went in to Benny Haven's Restaurant for dinner - a couple of the fellows from the conference came in & joined us. One of them was quite outspoken on his belief that the AAAC is dominated or at least a nest for a lot of communistic interests. I think

he was right at least in part. After eating Dave & I took a ride around the town & also the Academy. It was a dull rainy evening but the scenery was beautiful never-to-be-seen. Got back to the Hotel about 8:00 for our evening session. —

Major General Maxwell D. Taylor — who is Superintendent of the U. S. Military Academy spoke to us & gave us a welcome to West Point — I was surprised to see he was such a young looking man — a very good speaker. Following him there were three other talks — one by Thomas R. Adam — on "Education for International Relations" — one by Dr. Joseph A. Cartwright on "Mass Media, Use or Mis-use". & last one by the president of the AAAE — the colored gentleman Dr. Alain Locke on Education for Adulthood. They were all very good talks but much too long — they were 40 to 45 min. talks & 3 of them was just too many to listen to at one time. We didn't get out of the session until after 10:30. I talked with Paul Steele for awhile — learned he knew Dwayne. Dave & I went to our room about 11:00 — I wrote a letter to Dorothy & Jack told them a little of our plan for the trip. To bed 11:30.

5/14/47 WEDNESDAY:

A very rainy day at West Point. It was raining when Dave & I got up at 7:30 - I began to wonder whether I would be able to fly from Albany down to Endicott. Had breakfast at the Hotel - a Dr. Grilander & a Capt. Hudson both with the National Tuberculosis Association ate with Dave & I. At 9:30 I attended the Workshop Session on "Getting the University or College Off its Hill" It was a discussion pretty largely on College extension activities & how they contribute to Adult Education. Dave attended the session on "The Program for Improved Understanding of International Relation" I saw him in the lobby directly after the session & Dave was all steamed up - said he had just sat in on a meeting of "damn communist" - said they had passed a resolution that the Atom Bomb be turned over for International Control & also that the Motion Pictures from Hollywood be banned from being shown abroad on the grounds that they do not truly represent American Life as it is lived. Both of these are objectives of the communist. At 11:15 Dave & I split up.

again & went to different sessions - I attended the 2nd. meeting of the session on Leadership Training & Dave attended the one on Workers Education. Paul Sheets led our session & did a little better than yesterday - however we really didn't accomplish much - but then the time was too limited. Met Dave in the lobby at 12:30 - we checked out right away & left for Poughkeepsie - drove up the old Storm King Highway to Newburgh & stopped there at Cip's Diner for lunch - it was a very pretty drive even on a rainy day - I kept wondering whether flight #23 would leave Albany. Dave drove me right down to the Station when ^{we} got to Poughkeepsie - I called Robinson Airlines at Albany to check in for my flight & the girl assured me that the flight would go on but that it might be a half hour late. Don had told me in the letter I got from him yesterday that Ted Pulse had wanted to see me so I called Ted from the station - he wanted to know how much & what new equipment we would need for our classes in the new plant at Poughkeepsie - I referred him to Dave for the details. I got the 2:48 Train for Albany. Got a seat in the Pullman

Car as I could do some writing on my way to Albany - I'm going to be so busy when I get back I want to have my report at least partly prepared when I get home. The weather cleared up after we left ~~the~~ Poughkeepsie & by the time we reached Albany at 4:30 it was beautiful - bright blue sky & the sun shining - my spirits were really raised. As soon as I got in the station I called the Robin Airlines Office at the airport & was shocked to find that they had cancelled flight #23. I told the girl I couldn't understand that with the swell weather here in Albany - she told me they had just received word from Utica that the weather there & in Endicott prevented them from making the flight. Gee - I was disappointed. The girl looked up the train schedule for me & found I could get a D&H train out at 5:15 - I had to call May to tell her I would be down by train arriving at Poughkeepsie 9:40. The train had no dinner so I got a bit to eat at the lunch counter in the station. Was surprised to find myself eating right beside ex-governor Lehman - I don't know whether I would have known him except that I had some one mention he was in the

station. No one seemed to make any fuss about it - I guess he is sort of out of the public eye now. I was glad to find the 5:15 D. & H. Train had one modern de-lux coach so it really was quite comfortable. I made good use of my time preparing my report on the AAPE meeting. Got quite a bit accomplished. The train got in to Binghamton on time about 9:40 - I was glad to find Mary there waiting for me. She brought me up to date on the news - I was glad to learn that Ray Davis had been elected President of the IBM Study Club last Tue. Eve. I was a bit surprised for I thought Ralph LaTourte really had the better chance. I called Ray when I got home & congratulated him & got some data on what had happened while I was gone. Duwayne had gotten in from W.H.Q. this evening. I called him at the Homestead - he hadn't seen Dean Newhouse as yet, who is here from Univ. of Washington. I had planned to have bl. with him to-morrow morning but Olson agreed I had better not bother as I had to leave for Cornell at 9:00 & they wouldn't be ~~coming~~ getting up until late. Duwayne & Edna drove in from N.Y.C. this afternoon - Mr. Watson is coming to-morrow. To-bed 11:45.

5/15/47 THURSDAY:

Partly cloudy & cool to-day. Got up at 6:45 - hurried around with bath & at 7:45 drove down to the plant - left the car in the Brush Garage & had Eddie balance the front & rear. Got to the Office about 8:00 - Had a busy hour at the Office - saw Mrs. Johnson & Carl Snyder in a number of things. Don didn't come in until 9:00 & he worked late. Mr. Night no longer has Bailey some work to give Don. Had a lot of mail to look over. Ray Jain asked me to take a Mrs. Hieber back to Wilber with me - she had come down to take part in the demonstration of kitchen equipment at the County Club for our Home Planning Class. I went down to the garage & got my car at 9:30 - picked up Mrs. Hieber at the school at 9:00 & then left for Cornell - Mrs. Steiner is a research specialist in Stone Luminaria - I had good company on the trip to Cornell. Stopped at Al Ward's for a few minutes to Cornell about 10:10 - left Mrs. Steiner at the Stone Luminaria Bldg. & then went to the ^{N.Y.S.} Dept. of Industrial & Labor Relations for the meeting Dr. Emerson had arranged. I was a bit late on the

meeting started at 10:00 & they were just getting under way in the conference room. I was surprised at the group Lynn Emerson had gotten together - there 18 of us all together - several fellas I knew, including Sterling Fudge, End. Savage, Garrison & Coming Glass, Tom Finsterbach from Buffalo & John Sandler from Albany. It was quite a high class group. Dr. Emerson led us in a discussion of plans for a 2 day conference for training direction. Spent the morning discussing topics to be covered in the two day conference. At 12:30 we went over to Willard Straight Hall for lunch saw Prof. Chamberlain - I sat with Mr. Gates of Eastman Kodak & Mr. Nelson of General Electric & got acquainted with them. We carried on discussion on for a couple of hours after lunch. Finished up about 4:00 & I left right away for home - came back by Rischel & got at the office at a few minutes to 5:00 - Called Dwayne at the Homestead & learned he would like me to pick Edna up down town at the "Town & Country" & bring her up to the Homestead. I called Mary & found Edna had spent the morning with her - nor the going must have been. I drove down town & had to wait about a half hour for Edna while

she picked out a couple of dresses - she got four dresses all to gether. I drove her up to the Homestead - we saw Miss May Hoble Smith who was up from N.Y.C. Dwayne was in his room getting some notes prepared for the dinner to-night - he said Dean Yerhouse was resting in his room so I didn't bother him. Dwayne showed me his new camera - he got a new Eastman 35. Had his first film in it. Drove back home & got cleaned up for the dinner at the Homestead - Mr. Watson & Mr. Kirk were driving up from W.H.Q - left N.Y. about 2:15. May & I drove up to Homestead at 7:00 - it was a big group a lot of guest invited and Mr. Watson was expected - Ray introduced me to Dean Yerhouse of Wash. Univ. I was surprised to find he was such a young man. I had the good fortune to sit next to a Mr. Harvey who lived most his life in Seattle Wash. I got tips from him for our trip. Mr. Watson arrived shortly after we got underway with our dinner. Mr. Kirk came in with him - Mr. Watson had come up but didn't come to the dinner. We learned afterward she had a cold & Mrs.

Watson made her rest. Dwayne conducted the meeting in his masterful way — Dean Yerhouse spoke informally — he is a good speaker but very informal about it all. There was a large retail Customer Class & about 8 Customer Engineers from our World Trade Div. who were being honored. Mr. Watson presented the certificates to the Customer Engineers — Mrs. Watson spoke & gave us a very down-to-earth talk on IBM Policy — he was brief than usual. After the dinner Mary & I had an opportunity to talk briefly with Mr. Watson along with a group of people — I was surprised to learn he knew Betty was expecting. She had heard it from Mr. Atkinson — Mary had just gotten a letter from Betty to-day in which she told us the news. After the group thinned out a bit I took my opportunity to talk with Dean Yerhouse on manager training — when up to his room with him & he gave me a couple of books on division leadership which he had prepared. Also had a chance to talk with Charlie Kiel & wished him a pleasant voyage to Europe — he said he had heard I was planning to do some traveling — referring to the trip to Calif. He bidden me a bit in front of Dwayne, Yerhouse & some of the girls.

Charlie likes to take me for a ride - however when Peterson indicated perhaps I should arrange it so IBM will pay my expenses - Kirk will be here gained enough experience so he may get IBM to pay for his trip. I wondered whether that was a trip to me. I told Charlie I guess I was still a freshman at it. I arranged with Newhouse to see him at Wash. Univ. while I am at Seattle. Mary came on home with the DeVenters & I stayed to talk with Newhouse until he left with Dwayne & Edna for the train about 11:15 - Edna went back to N.Y. to-night so Dwayne's mother could come up to-morrow. I got home about 11:30 - To-bed 11:45. -

5/16/47 FRIDAY:

Partly cloudy & rainy to-day. Got up about 7:00 - Drove down to the office at 8:00 - took Mary & Son to school. Had a very busy day. Received a telegram from Paul Laprade of Montreal asking for the IBM translation system which was used at Dallas Texas to be used at a conf. in Montreal at the end of May.

I called Walter O'Donnell at W.H.Q. & learned there would be no equipment available. — I saw Ralph La Tourette this morning & spoke to him about Bob Sheridan's transfer — he has a spot for Bob with Harold Pithen during the summer. Bob Bruce is leaving Haskel to be assistant to the President of American Machine & Foundry Co. I think Bob Sheridan will have a good break working with Haskel for 3 months. — & Ralph told me a little about what happened with his campaign for Pres. of the Study Club — Gaven Cullen backed out as his nominator at the last minute — Ralph was frank to admit that was what defeated him — he had to have Bud Austin finish him as his nominator & I know Bud just couldn't draw the vote that Gaven could have. I told Ralph I was sorry he didn't get it but also glad that Ray was elected. I told Bob about the job with Harold Pithen for the summer & he said he would like it very much. At 11:00 I drove down town & went to Glebe Walls — had my teeth all looked at — Glebe cleaned them but found no caries — I am very glad — However the one front tooth that has the entire inside filled is getting bad again — Glebe

looked on the road & found he had filled it
 back in 1938 - The filling is leaking some &
 we believe we should try to replace the
 filling after I get back from California. Came
 back to the office as I didn't want to be
 away too long - Mr. Watson & Mr. Kirk
 were at the plant all day & Dwayne
 was at the school. About 12:30 I drove
 home for lunch - got a letter from Ray-
 mond & an announcement of Herbert's Gradua-
 tion from Pingry School - Ray still hasn't
 heard as to whether Herb will get into
 Lafayette this fall. Got back to the
 office about 1:30. Saw Mac Alon & had a
 chat on our training problem. About 2:30
 a Mr. Ann & Mr. Poer of the H. Y. Telephone
 Co. stopped in to have a look at our training
 set-up. Ray & I talked to them for awhile &
 then I took them over to see Van Gordon -
 They saw the other training men they want
 to bring in next week. About 4:00 I got
 in to see Peter - he was using his old
 office all day - being in out of town.
 Had about an hour with Dwayne &
 he's close to coning a lot of things.
 Dwayne is interested in the job we are

doing for the expansion program at Poughkeepsie. He was quite disturbed that Management hadn't come to our dept. for our suggestion - instead I had to go to them & offer our help. - I was glad to see in the paper this morning that Paul Deenell had been made manager of the Personnel Dept. at Plant #2 - Bill Spain has been made Work Manager & Joe McNamee Superintendent. I sent them letter of congratulation to-day. Dwayne knew of the promotion - he told me he had even considered bringing Paul into our dept. in charge of all Manager Training - Dwayne is not satisfied with Mr. Almon - in fact he refuse to recognize Mr. as our Manager Training Teacher - apparently Dean Newhouse had not been favorably impressed with Mr. Dwayne admitted Newhouse had indicated Mr. did not have the right outlook on the job. In fact Dwayne said he had even talked with Kirk about Mr. an adverse reaction to some of the things we are doing. Drove home at 5:15 - spent some time before leaving the office with Bob Sheridan going over the material he had prepared for me for my talk to the Kiwanis Club on at San Jose. Spent the evening doing

more painting in the little lavatory. Had some more peach enamel to put on. Mary & I also played some Pin Ball - Mary went to bed at 10:00 - I went to bed about 11:30 - read Life before retiring.

5/17/47 SATURDAY:

Partly cloudy & rainy to-day. Got up about 7:30 - went to work on the kitchen & lavatory painting after breakfast. About 10:00 Dwayne drove in with his friend from California, Mr. Robert J. Wright - a swell looking fellow from Fresno Calif. Dwayne had his new Eastman 35 Camera with him & insisted on getting some pictures of me & the family even though I had on my old painting clothes. I also took some pictures of Dwayne & Bob Wright with Dwayne's camera & I got my Leica and took a couple of colored slides. Mary had to leave at 10:30 with Mary Lou for Bingleton - this morning she had her last dancing lesson until fall. Dwayne had stopped out to give me some

suggestions on our trip to Calif. I got out a couple of maps & both he & Bob started giving me a barrage of suggestion of things we should do, & not to do. Both thought we were foolish to think of driving thru Death Valley in June. I gave up the idea after ^{very} ~~very~~ definite warning not to do so - Duwayne thought I wasn't allowing myself enough time to do what we had planned & to reach San Jose on June 9th. He suggested we leave on the 29th. instead of 30th & I intend to heed this suggestion. In fact Bob suggested I should wire back for an extension of time as I would probably need it before we get finished. I kidded Duwayne a little about this. I was surprised to hear Bob say the Fresno Valley is so hot in June - in fact he even suggested we try to miss it on our trip - however I had planned to drive from San Jose to Los Angeles over the highway down the Fresno Valley. Duwayne suggested we get 10 lbs. of dry ice to carry it in the car. - I'll be anxious to see whether it is really as bad as they say it is. Duwayne & Bob left at 11:00 - I did some more painting - Carolyn

Billy came over to play with Barbara. —
 she has had chicken pox. I had them
 play outside. I did some touch-up painting
 on the electric stove — got some of chairs
 set on the bundle — boy what a difference
 in appearance! Mary & Mary Lou got home
 about 1:30 — we got in some lunch —
 about 3:30 I got cleaned up — dressed &
 we all drove on to the Country Club to see
 what was going on — They had the official
 Spring Opening to-day with Mr. Watson
 present — last night they had the Spring
 Trophy Dinner at the Club. There didn't seem
 to be much doing at the Club so we didn't
 stop — drove on up around the Homestead
 to see Dodge & Mr. Olson but didn't see
 Dodge car so we drove on down town
 to do some shopping. Stopped over to Vaughan's
 in Union & had the slack I picked out
 fitted. Stopped back over to Endicott & did
 some shopping — I got some film & paper at
 Jim Starn's — Jim has bought out the
 business from Stichley's — it is no longer
 Stichley's. Got back home about 6:00 —
 it was raining a little. I got my
 equipment set up to print pictures.

Barbara helped me some as she was interested in getting some pictures of Billy, Taber & herself. Mary had a late supper for me. I spent in the whole evening printing pictures. Mary helped for about an hour. I printed over 100 pictures - about 2 1/2 films. I still had about another whole film to go to be caught up. I was so tired I went to bed about 11:45.

5/18/47 SUNDAY:

A rainy day - got up about 8:00 - hurried around & after breakfast. I went out & hosed off the car - didn't get it cleaned as it started to rain. Mary took Mary Lou to Sunday School & stayed herself - she also took the Bibby girls down with her. I did some painting in the laundry while Mary was gone. She got home about 11:00 - didn't stay for church - I did some little painting job also dated the pictures I made last night - I actually printed 131 pictures. After dinner I went out & put some grass seed on the lawn - read the Sunday paper & then Barb & Mary Lou helped me some cleaning off the train platform - I decided we had it up long enough for this year.

Had a heavy shower about 3:30 - we gave up our plan to go down to attend the Open House at Triple Cities College - but it cleared off about 4:30 & the sun came out so we all got cleaned up & drove down to T.C.C. about 5:00 - got there just in time to have a look thru. Saw Ben Myrick reporter & M.P. & wife. Battle - one of the student movers in the. They have been improved the interior of these temporary quarters. It looks quite like a college. After leaving the college we drove down to the air - port just for a ride. On the way back we stopped at the sand - which stop in Union for a bite to eat. Got home about 7:00. I did some more painting this evening also spent some time looking over some material for my talk to the San Jose Kiwanis Club. To bed 11:15.

5/19/47 MONDAY:

Warm & sunny to-day - I'm glad it is too time really warm, for we tell on Juneau go on yesterday - day - we are just about out of coal

I would rather not get any more since we are changing to oil heat this fall.

Got up at 6:45 - Mary couldn't quite decide whether to keep Bob home from school another day - her chicken - not as nearly cleared up but we have a few marks on her arm & body. We were afraid she would be sent home so we kept her home. Drove down to the Office at 8:00 - Took Mary for to school. ^{Had RAY sit in on the Customer School Opening for me at 9:00.} Called Bob ^{London} this morning - I arranged to go to Syracuse with him on Wednesday on the matter of our plan of paying instruction under the Stage & Work Law. Called Glenn Smith at Elmira & got a reservation for Mary & I next Saturday night. - Saw Blackwell this morning & brought him up to date on a number of things. Blackie mentioned the matter of Bruce Buckler being available to give assistance - Dwayne had mentioned this - actually they are trying to find work to keep Bruce busy. I have planned to see Bruce to assist Mary on the Job Instruction Training - making job breakdowns. He is helping Van Gordon at the present time. I had a lot of letters to get

on this morning. Wrote Bill Leary a registered letter - he hasn't answered. He has too I sent him to have acknowledged the receipt of the film I sent him on April 8th. - Walker now with Bob Henden on the matinees for my opera - Bob had the good grace to say - that his brother would loan me his limousine for the trip - I was very glad to learn that! Betty Hopkins Hays called to give me her other idea for candidate for Officer of the Triple S Club in the church - John Wagner had asked me to be Chairman of the Youngster Committee - I had a talk to him to make the day on this matter - also stopped over to talk with Gwen Cullen about it. Hays called & said my auto company had been returned in the mail this morning so I decided to go home for lunch. - Hays in the car with me on the way home & minded the registered letter to Bill Leary. Had lunch with Mary & Bob. Called a half dozen places in Big

inquiring about an altimeter for the car but
couldn't locate one. Returned to the office at
1:30 - mailed a Bon Voyage card to Mrs. & Mr. Kirk -
They are to leave Saturday for Europe. Also
sent a gift to Herbet Weeks & a congratulation
card on his graduation from Pingry School.
Saw Mac Almon this P.M. & had quite a
chat with him on the plans for giving T.I.T.
to the people who are free from Plant #2
leaving the operations on the machine to be
moved to Poughkeepsie. Got Mac to agree to
use some film in his program. Also
spoke to Mac about having Buckler help him
on the matter of drilling these people in making
job breakdown. Mac didn't like the idea of
working with Bruce but I managed to get him
to say he would call on Bruce for help.
Stopped in to see Van & asked him about
going to Syracuse with Bob on Wed. & also
the possibility of going down to W.H.S. on Thurs.
Van reminded me that he had nothing to
say on these matters now that he had re-
signed as Chairman of our Dept. I told Van
that until it was announced that his
resignation had been accepted he was still
acting dear as far as I was concerned.

Called Ralph Walker & had him stop in
for the picture I had of Marilyn on her
way home. I left the office about 5:30
& drove over & picked up Irene Stickey &
Took her up to the house to stay with
the girls ^{Mayo} this evening. I cleaned up a bit
& at 6:15^{1/2} I drove over to the Arlington
Hotel in Binghamton to the Annual Binghamton
Camera Club Dinner. We met Ray &
Marian Davis there & sat with them. They
had a good turn out - it was a very
warm rainy evening - almost too warm to be
comfortable. The program was two colored
16 mm. films on life in Mexico taken by
Mr. Ralph E. Gray two times winner of
the International Amateur Film Contest. There
were some very lovely color pictures but I
was a bit disappointed in the technique used
in many places. They really weren't as
good as I had expected them to be. Mary
& I rushed out at 10:00 & came directly
home. I had Mary drive Irene down town
while I got on some old clothes & painted the
door for the medicine closet in the lavatory.
Mary & I went to bed at 11:15.

5/20/47 TUESDAY:

Partly cloudy to-day & warm - got up at 7:00 - Bab isn't back to school to-day her chicken-pox all over. Took Bab & Mary Lou to school on my way to the Office at 8:00. Had a very busy day at the Office. Called Ken Gray this morning & asked him about the use of a Pola-Screen for taking color pictures. He advised me, by all means, to get one. Ralph Gray had mentioned last night he used a pola-screen on many of his shots. I called Ken & ordered one right away. Mary called about 10:30 & told me they had called her from the school & said Mary Lou had chicken-pox so I left & drove on to Hooper School, got Mary Lou & took her home. She only had a few little spots & felt perfectly ok - she was waiting for me in Mr. Wiley's Office. Left Mary Lou at home & drove on over to Binghamton - Ken tried to fix me up with a Pola-Screen but didn't have the proper adapter - he is getting them for me this week. Drove home & had lunch with Mary & Mary Lou. Returned to the Office about 1:30. - Printed the slide film on the proof machine with Mary, Ray & Bob - we are very much

disappointed in it, but learned later from Bruce
Buchler that there is a right we should have
read with it. Had quite a chat with Bruce
on the matter of using job breakdowns - he &
Peter are both interested in having breakdowns
made on all of the operations for the job to be
moved to Plant #2. I explained to Bruce
the rather sad experience we had had during
the war on getting the men in the plant to
make & use job breakdowns. Bruce just
simply fails to see the practical side of these
things. - I went over to see Mac Almon &
had Mac go over to see Russ Wright with me
to get his idea on job breakdown - we also
stopped by to see Steve Remby & discussed it
with Steve. Russ & Steve don't see making
breakdowns on every operation - I'm right in
the middle on this - Peter wants them & the
plant manager don't. I've got a selling
job to do one way or the other. Got back
to the office about 5:00 & was pleased to find a
letter from Dr. Hutchinson of Lafayette College
saying they had accepted Herbert Welsh
for admittance to Lafayette this fall. I was a
bit surprised to find they had accepted
him largely on my recommendations since he

said Herbert's grades were a bit against him but
that they were very anxious to back me up.
Boy, I sure felt guilty for the consideration they
had given my interest in the matter. Drove home
at 5:15 - after supper I did some work on the
car - tried to mount the air hoses on the car.
At 7:00 I came in & called Ray to tell him
the good news about Herb. Ray was very
pleased - he said he was so happy he could
hug me, I told him I would call him Friday
while in N.Y.C. Talked with Herb & congratula-
ted him - told him I had set a date with
in June of 1951 to attend a graduation at
Lafayette & I didn't expect him to let me
down - Herb was very pleased - he
thanked me about three or four times for my
help in getting him in Lafayette. - Ray,
Robert & Edward DeVenti came over - Ray &
Robert worked down for a while - Ray also helped
me some on the car. I went up to the car
& borrowed his electric drill. Had to sand
the mounting brackets to make it work on the new
car. A Mr. Soren from Big - stopped in & tried
to interest me in buying an Englewood Rambler. The
boys played some pin ball - I did some work at
my desk & to bed 11:15.

5/21/47 WEDNESDAY.

Rainy & hot to-day - got up at 7:00 - Mary drove me down to the office at 8:00 - took Babe to school. I had a very busy 1½ hours at the office, before leaving for Syracuse: gave Dan a number of letters - wrote Dr. Hutchinson & also Doctor Raymond about Herbert being accepted for admittance to Lafayette College. Arranged for Bob Sheridan to pick up the 3/4 HP motor I am getting from the company for Jack Maxham - also arranged for Mac Almon to make a bracket for me to use on the car. Tom Coler called & said he & Beth would accept the assignment of Pres. of our Triple S Club if elected. Bob Landon stopped over & we left at 9:30 for Syracuse - Bob drove his new Dodge - I looked over my mail on the way up & also reviewed my notes of the AAPE meeting I attended at West Point last week. Bob & I arrived in Syracuse at 11:30 - had lunch at the Hotel Syracuse Coffee Shop. I called Dr. Miller (Bird) & had a nice chat with him. Also called several places to in-

Quinn about a rear view mirror & altimeter for my car but couldn't find what I wanted. Bob & I had a few minutes to shop after we had lunch. Bob had made an appointment at 1:00 for an interview at the Wage & Hour Division of the Labor Office in the State House Bldg. We were on time on the dot - were interviewed by a Ms. Knapp - Bob brought up the matter of our payment of instruction fees & asked whether we were required under the law to pay for preparation time as well as time spent in the class room. Ms. Knapp sort of shifted in discussion around for a while but finally said it was reasonable time but that it was really a fee since & that the average investigator would not even think of it. He advised us to continue as we were, not paying for preparation time. I was glad to hear that - because it is not an class out a matter as I had feared it might be. Bob & I went on to explain how we pay a minimum of \$6.00 for a $\frac{1}{2}$ hr. class session - Ms. Knapp then raised the question as to how we could do this for the non-exempt employees. She said all overtime for non-exempt employees had

to be on the basis of a definite rate — anything over this rate is conceded under the law to be a form of overtime & that the law does not allow this. Bob & I were both surprised at this for it was altogether a new idea to us. This means we have been wrong all along in paying a \$6.00 minimum to our non-exempt instructor. If this is true we have to change our plan of paying these instructors. Bob had a couple of other questions to discuss with Mr. Kuyper. We left about 2:30 for Endicott — got into some rain on the way home — got back to the office about 4:30 — Told Bob Hansen & Ray what I had learned at Syracuse. Drove home at 5:30 — Mary stopped by for me — Dick Ludwig stopped over with the Lions — Code for Youth which I had him frame. I got a call from a Mrs. Bandolji about the Opera to be given at the High School next week — she indicated she wanted to make an announcement to the Lion Club so I invited her to attend the meeting. I drove down to the hotel at 6:30 met her & arranged to have her sit at the head table.

Phil Colletta had me present him to the group. Our program for the meeting was a talk by Mr. Masten of the N.Y. Telephone Co. who told us of some of the new things to be introduced, for instance the mobile telephone - with this you can talk to anyone while driving along in your car. Ah Yip. They had the nomination for the officer for next year - Ed Keedy read off the slate. He had called me & asked me to accept the nomination for 3rd Vice President which I did - They are trying something new this year - there is more than one nomination for an office so it will mean balloting - Walt Stannion is running against me for 3rd Vice President. After Mr. Masten after the meeting. Ralph Walter came over to see me & told me he had been made an assistant engineer - I congratulated him - That sure is nice for Ralph. Ralph & Della gave me a ride around the corner to my car as it was raining. Got home about 9:30 - Mary & the girls were going to bed. I got some of my camera stuff to get for the trip & loaded 7 35 mm. film cartridge to take with me. Finally turned in at 12:30.

5/22/47 THURSDAY:

Hot & showery this morning, but cleared off well this afternoon. Got up at 7:00 - Mary drove me down to the office at 8:00 - we took Barb to school - Mary Lou is home with chicken-pox. Had a very busy morning - tried to get as much as possible finished up before leaving for N.J. Called Dave Sanford to give him some info. Finally got around to giving Don the rest of my report on the AAAE meeting last week. Blackie stopped over & told me he was having some trouble getting my checks for June ahead of time. He suggested I let him deposit them for me & then I could draw from the checking account while on the trip - any TBM office would cash my checks - I agreed to this. Mary spent most of the morning in Tony's Beauty Shop - she stopped by about 11:15 - I drove her home & then returned to the office. Gave Don some more work & finally got away from the office about 12:10 - hurried over town & got a hair cut & then went home for lunch. After lunch I got packed up to leave for N.J. - The

car looked so dirty & was all covered with
spots of soap from the tree I had parked
it under down town last night so many &
I decided to wash it. I put on some old
clothes & we really went to work on it - only
took me about 15 min. Geo. Swanson stopped
in - I had called Geo. - he looked over our
shrubs & trees & gave me some ideas on
the what trimming I should do. Geo. said
we could really have a beautiful back yard.
I finally got all packed up & left for
N.Y. at 2:30. It turned out to be a beautiful
bright sunny afternoon - I was so glad we
washed the car. Had a little bad luck in
Johnson City. They had been painting the
white strip in the middle of the street on
Revere Drive & had the little Red Flags
sitting along the middle of the road. A big
truck came by & hit one of the flag standards
& shot it across the road into my car.
It sounded like a cannon ball when it hit.
I stopped & discovered it had put a nice
dent in my left front fender - The first
real dent I have gotten. Stopped at Bunn
in Binghamton & got his briarler -
boy they sure are a swell & pair of glasses.

I enjoyed the drive coming down - stopped on the hill just outside of Scranton & tried Rain Binoculars. They sure bring things over to you. Stopped near Wash. ^{N.O.} at a Diner for a bite to eat & got down to Mother about 6:30 - Eleanor was mowing the lawn with the power mower - I gave her a hand for a little while. Showed Mother & Eleanor the binoculars. Jack wasn't home - down town getting a hair cut. I drove on down to see Dad, Betty & Rain. Told Betty about having heard of her good news (expecting) from Mrs. Watson. Showed Rain & Dad my porcelanize job on the car. Rain will doubt whether the car was ever actually porcelanized. Had a nice chat with the folks. Went back up to Mother to see Jack - he was pleased to see the $3\frac{1}{4}$ H.P. vista. Showed Mother, Jack & Eleanor the map shot I had with me. Came back to Dad about 9:30 & found the folks all gone so I stopped down to Sheridan Stand & got myself a sandwich. Showed Dad Rain & Betty some slides I had brought with me also the map shot. Rain &

Betty went to bed about 11:00 - Dad & I stayed up until about 12:00 - I wrote all these notes with Dad's ball point pen - it works very well after you get used to it. To-bed 12:00.

5/23/47 FRIDAY:

A bright warm day - a beautiful day in N.Y.C. Dad got me up at 6:30 - had breakfast with Dad, Pam & Betty. Called Elmer Kipper at Washington about John's dinner. Max stopped over from the other farm - I hadn't seen him in a long time. Finally got off for N.Y.C. about 7:45 - Pam left for Flushing at the same time - I followed him down to Somerville - drove in to Journal Square & left the car & took the tube over to 33rd. St. Did some window shopping on my way up to W.H.Q. Got there about 10:00 - Drew Daly had been moved from the 9th. floor of W.H.Q. over to the 5th. floor of the new bldg. Called Miss John & made an appointment to see Draway - he was having a busy day as usual - also called Douglas' Office & left word I wanted to see him. - Called brother Ray & told him I wanted to stop on to his house & clean up.

a bit on my way out to Flemington - he called Horney & found she would be home & then called me back - I had hoped to have lunch with Ray but he was ^{too} busy & I couldn't get away at any certain time either. Spent some time with Drew looking over the material for the W.H.Q. bulletin & the cover design. Baigie had given some new ideas on cover design. — I called Joe Washburn & finally located him at his hotel room - he said I had called just in time - he was leaving that minute for Europe. He was in such a hurry I couldn't get any information from him. All he said was that he would see me in Long Beach & gave me his regards for Mary & the girls. The time was brief & I couldn't quite get the set-up! Boy, Joe sure gets around! Eleanor John called & I got in to see Dwayne about 12:00 - he was in a rush to get to a luncheon meeting so I only had about 10 min. with him. Got his OK on several matters. Saw Ted Rose & congratulated him on his new job as Advertising Manager. Drew & I had lunch at the cafeteria, we

saw with Keith Martin, Ruth Leach, Jane Kiley & Jean Cotten. I hadn't seen Ruth since she had gotten back - she looked good - but is only in to the office a few hours each day. I saw Charlie Love - also Bill Miller in the cafeteria. Congratulated Bill on his new promotion to Sales Mgr. of the Electric Type-writer division. After lunch Drew & I went out & did some shopping - I got an umbrella for the car - also got me toy auto for my Louis collection. Called Douglas' office when we got back & went right up to see him - Drew & I had to wait a while. We saw a lot of people while we were waiting - everyone seemed to be in a holiday mood in anticipation of Kirk & Tom Nelson's departure for Europe to-morrow.

We had a nice chat with Ed Douglas & got his support on the use of the house on 56th St. for our Gen. Ed. Program at W.H.Q. Kirk stopped in & I wished him Bon Voyage - he was showing us his new hunting hat. Drew & I also stopped in to see Briggs for a few minutes - I pretended I was doing some lecturing for Drew - he is running

for Pres. of the IBM Club. I left 590
about 3:40 & did some window shopping on
my way down town - the time went by
faster than I thought & it was nearly 5:00
when I got the subway for journal square.
It sure was a beautiful afternoon - but I
got in the traffic rush on the way out
to Ray's & lost a lot of time. Got to Ray's
about 6:00 - he had just gotten home from work.
Ray & Honey helped me get cleaned up -
Ray let me use his electric razor & I did
a really quick job of shaving. Ray had to show
me his garden - he has green up & in
blossom already - he sure gets his garden in
early. I left Ray's about 6:15 & turned over
to Flemington - had to stop in Plainfield for
gas - I had filled the tank before leaving Endicott
& I had it filled up again to the same point -
I had gone 257 miles & it took 16 gal. That
is 6+ miles per gal. which I felt was pretty
good. Got to Flemington at 7:05 just a few
minutes late but I was there just before Jake
arrived on the scene. The testimonial dinner
for Jake Babbitt was held at the new
Babist Church in Flemington - There were about
125 present - I saw a lot of my old friends.

Helen & Bud Kiefer, Willard Young & his wife, Harry Stoder & his wife, Mrs. Heilman & others. I met with Bill Young & his wife - I had never met her before. Also met Ed Lange who had just come to me. He was a typical church dinner - turkey dinner country style. Jake came around to the table & I had a nice chat. Elmer Miller was master of ceremony - there were 4 or 5 different speakers. Johnnie Stoder spoke for the Hi-Y boys & told some good stories on Jake. Then the surprise of the evening Elmer Miller called on Johnnie Stoder, Frank Wiles, Bill Young & me to sing as a quartet. We sang one song - Bud Kiefer played the piano & we sang "Home on the Range". It was pretty terrible. They presented Jake with a book of letters from his friends. Jake responded in his very masterful style. Jake really gives a good talk. I saw Mr. Heilman for a few minutes after the meeting. Also talked with Jake before leaving & told him how much I enjoyed the affair. Jake sure looks bad - he just as thin as a rail & is so dark he looks like a colored man. I drove back to Moltain & stopped in there about 10:00 - called Dad & learned Betty & Ray were out for a while so I stayed

Spent time with Mother, Eleanor & Jack. Drove on down to Dads about 10:30 - stopped at Wall's in Lebanon for a qt. of ice cream - saw Harry Crampton, his girl friend & his sister also Clark Henry. Betty & Run were home when I got down to Dad but they came in a little later & they had a qt. of ice cream so we had plenty. I got a kick out of Pettie Hank the cat eating ice cream & drinking out of the fish bowl. Dad sure likes that cat. We all went to bed about 11:45.

5/24/47 SATURDAY:

Dad called me about 6:30 - turned around, packed, had breakfast with Betty, Run & Dad, put my things in the car & left at 7:30. They all wished me a # pleasant trip to California. Mother was already & waiting when I got up to her place - Had her suit cases all packed for California - three of them. Jack & Eleanor saw me off & wished me the best for our trip. Mother & I were on our way to Endicott by 7:45. It was a beautiful bright day but very warm. Stopped in Clark-Hummit for an ice cream cone - made very good time - got in home at Endicott at 11:15. Mary was surprised to see us so early. Poor

little Mary Lou had really broken out with the chicken-pox while I was gone — her face was just covered — even much worse than Barbara. I repacked my bag for Elmira & cleaned up the car a little. Eddie DeVenti was here to help me wash the bugs off the front of the car. Had a swell dinner — Mary had roasted a whole lamb. Put on another suit & about 1:30 Mary & I left for Elmira — by the time we had gotten there checked in at the Mark Twain Hotel about 2:45. Saw a lot of our good Dr. Clever friends. After we had gotten in our room & settled I went down to the general meeting in the Ball Room. Boy — it sure was hot in there — all of the fellows had their coats off. Paul Labo joined & it was a very good meeting — Carl Belscher of Cincinnati Ohio was there & spoke to us on the U.S. J. C. C. Carl gave a very good talk. I left before the meeting was over & went back to the room — laid down & took a short nap. Mary came back about 5:15 & then we had to hurry around to get cleaned up for the cocktail party & banquet. Mary got dressed in her lovely blue evening gown, that made us both mad. The cocktail party at 5:30 was the typical Jaycees brand of an

nearly so - They had ticket stubs for each cocktail so everyone could get at least 3 & that was plenty. The gang we got noisy. We got tied in with a gang from Lockport at a table for the banquet - boy what a bummer affair that turned out to be. I really felt sorry for the waiters - everyone was sure having a swell time. I had talked with Paul Tater & learned that Joe Washick had contacted him to let him know that he couldn't be there - but didn't tell Paul why either - I told Paul that I had called him while in N.Y.C. on Fri. Paul believed Joe is still sore about missing the gang at this. Paul also advised me that Joe Hanna wouldn't be with us - he is sore about something - poor Paul he sure has his trouble - I can really sympathize with him after last year. Boy - this meeting sure seemed different for me - last year I had all the head aches & this year I could just sit by & really enjoy it. Paul had gotten Al Rill of Syracuse to substitute for Joe Washick as toastmaster. Al did a swell job - he had Carl Belknap install Ed. Watson as the new state President & then Ed presented his executive committee. Al

presented Paul with the Paul Salter Trophy to be given each year in memory of Paul to the outstanding State Committee Chairman - Paul presented it to John Kendall of Rochester - Chairman of the Aviation Committee. The speaker for the evening was John Ben Stegman of Texas - U. S. J. C. C. Vice President & I believe our ~~new~~ National Jaycees President. He introduced John Ben as being better than a P2 pistol & boy he sure lived up to his reputation - he gave one of the first & most dynamic talks on Dr. Charles and this I have ever heard. He was quiet down the gang - who had been quite noisy up to that point. I congratulated him after his talk & told him I would be looking forward to hearing him again at Long Beach. It was a hot in the State - very & I walked around the block with Ross & Marvin May. It was hot & muggy outside. May & I saw Bill & Jane Major of Rochester & learned they are driving out to Calif. during the same time we are - met them. It was too warm to dance - May & I had a couple of cards & did more chatting with old friends & me. Vic Rehner was there from Ph. with

Three other fellow - I met Roy Kinsley the new Pres. of Pk. J. C. J. C. About 12:15 we went up to Paul Taber's room with a whole gang - Paul & Verna had a sat of room - nothing like Mary & I had at Rock. but you know. The boys & girls had a few drinks - it got too noisy so about 1:15 a group of us - Ed & LaVonne Watson, Paul & Verna, John Kendall & his wife, Mary & I walked down the street to the dinner for a mid-night snack - the Hotel Coffee Shop had closed. Mary & I sat with John & his wife - they had flown down from Rock. John has his own plane. We got back to Paul's Room about 2:15 & the place was packed & noisier than ever - singing songs so Mary & I sneaked away & hurried around the corner to our room - got in without anyone seeing us - we were afraid there would be a lot of pounding on door. We could hear the noise from our room - but they quieted down after about a half hour. It sure had been a big day. To bed 2:30.

5/25/47 Sunday:

A very rainy day in Elmira - got up about 9:15 - to find it rainy. I was

very much disappointed as I had looked forward to seeing the gliding exhibit this afternoon. May & I went down to the Coffee Shop about 10:00 & had some breakfast - we decided we couldn't wait for the Brunch which was advertised for 12:30 at the Glider Field - "Harrill Hill". Talked with some of the folks after breakfast & came near leaving for home - I called the airport & they told me the rain was expected to continue but that they would take up some gliders for the day as we decided to stay. Sat in the hotel lobby & read the Sunday Paper. About 12:00 Curt Buffum drove me over a couple of blocks in his car so I could get mine, I had left my rain coat in the car. May & I drove on over to Harrill Hill - the famous glider field. The sun is a nice location - we were early - only a few other - looked the place over & had to wait around for the gang to arrive. Even though it rained some a good size group showed up - however the Brunch wasn't much - just orange juice - coffee & donuts. Oh Yes - Pretzels & Peanuts - we all got a kick out of that. The weather opened up a bit - at least it stopped raining & the fellow put on a very interesting exhibition of sail plane & glider acrobatics.

It was the first I had ever seen anything like it. I took a few color pictures even though the weather wasn't ideal. Had Ravi join us with us & we're glad we did them. May & I left for Endicott about 3:30 - it rained a little on the way home. We stopped in O'Briens near Waway for a bite to eat - it's a lovely place - I didn't realize it was so nice - it is recommended in Duncan Hines "Adventures in Good Eating." As we left Tom Hobble, his wife & son from N.Y.C. were stopping to eat. May & I got there about 5:15. Mother & the girls were fine. Barb went with us & we stopped down to see Mr. & Mrs. DeVenti - the whole family were out working on the lawn. We arranged to move the girls down there next Wed. night. We left Barb there & drove on over to see Marcel & Jimmie Johnston - Jimmie had been laid up for some time with varicose veins, had an operation - however he is on the mend again. We caught them at a bad time - Jimmie was in the bath tub & Marcel was not feeling well. We only stayed a few minutes - Jimmie told us a little of their trip to Europe. Came home about 6:30 - May got some supper for us. - I installed the air horn on the

car - didn't get them wired up however. Spent some time this evening working on my talk for Sam Joe & also writing up these notes. Mother & Mary went to bed about 10:30. I retired about 11:45.

5/26/47 MONDAY:

Clear & cooler to-day - a beautiful day. Got up at 7:00 - drove Barbara to school on my way to the plant - drove on over to West Endice & took a couple suits over to be cleaned & pressed. Then took the truck to the garage to be lubricated & a motor tune up to be ready for the trip. Got to the office about 8:15. Called Dave Sanford at Poughkeepsie this morning. Perry Starbuck had a session with Ben Bodel, Ray & me this morning on the matter of reporting statistics on Gen. Education - Ben is getting all lined up on a new reporting system on all Dept. of Edu. activity. Perry suggested we establish a definite time for each term & by so doing have all Gen. Edu. classes starting & completing about the same time. We had a really good session - it lasted until 1:00 - I got the car from the garage & hurried - had some lunch - Mother, Mary & Mary Lou had eaten. I was disappointed to

find I did had not gotten the maps from
Crown Co. on the taxi. We did get a letter
from Jack & Dorothy - they are looking forward to
seeing us in Aberdeen. Took the car back to
the garage - Eddie still had to lubricate it.
This afternoon Perry called me to his office
to see Alex Dilpiani from T.C.C. He had
come in to see Perry about an idea he had
for a course on Spain Apprehension. I had him
also talk with Ray Davis & asked him to
prepare an outline & perspective of the course &
read it to me. Bob Sheridan brought in
his brother's thesis for me to-day. I took it
over & had Charlie Cheney look it over. I
was surprised to find that it was mold
in it. Bob explained that his brother had
had it in the tropics in India. Stopped
over to see Mac on the job training program
for the people who are up here from Pk.
Got my car from the garage about 5:30
& drove home. After supper I did some
work on my car - Edward, Robert & Reg
De Venni stopped over. About 7:00 they &
Barbara rode down to John Smith's with
me to get his jeep - it was up on
the farm so I drove on up to the

farm. We came back home in the jeep - it was over some country to the Buck. The kids we got a real kick out of it. I took some pictures with Bob & Leila - the first ones. Keye & Robin helped me take the Pin Ball Machine apart & we took it over to De Venti's on the jeep - the kids we had some fun. They all went with me to return the jeep to the farm. Came back to De Venti's & helped set the Pin Ball Game up. I don't think Mr or Mrs. De Venti like it too much but the boys just insisted they have it. I put in a busy evening working on my talk for San Jose - Mary & Mother did a lot of chattering over plans for the trip. To bed 11:30.

5/27/47 TUESDAY:

Clear this morning but clouded up this afternoon & looked rainy this evening. Got up at 7:00 - Mary drove me down to the office about 8:10 - took Babe to school. I had Dan do some typing on my report or rather speech for San Jose. Had a very busy day trying to get as much as possible cleaned up before leaving for California. Mac, Ray, Bob & I reviewed the slide film on the Proof Machine

with Bruce Buckler. - Mary & I tried to see some of the managers on the job training of the people who are here from Pk. but they were tied up with McElvain. Received some of the material for the W.H.Q. Gen. Edu. Bulletin from Drew Daley - went over it with Ray. Had lunch at the cafeteria at 11:30 with Lou Motley & Joe Storie. About 12:00 I walked down town with Ray Davis & Walt Crothley. They were on their way to the Miami meeting. I saw our car on the street so I knew Mary was down town - I found her in the Bank getting some traveler checks to take on the trip.

\$500.00 in Traveler Checks & \$300.00 in cash. We drove over to Union & I got my slacks at Vaughn also a sport shirt. Mary dinner me at Ben Stamer's drug store - I got a mirror for the Buick & also a horn button for the in laws. Got back to the office about 1:30. Spent some time this P.M. on my speech for San Jose. Called Mrs. Barton at the AAA office & learned she had my maps all ready for me on the Calif. trip, so I borrowed Large Plymouth & drove down & got them about 3:30. She has done a very good job for me. Bruce Buckler stopped

in the office & we had quite a chat on the matter of using job breakdown. I explained to Bruce that we just couldn't use them universally in the plant. I told him of our experience during the war. Mary stopped by for me about 5:15 - she had written to the girls with her. After supper I drove down to De Ventis & took the big Binoculars down that I had borrowed from Run Tuthill. I compared them to the ones De Ventis had - there are a small compact job & so much lighter. Connie had said I could take them on the trip so I decided I would take them instead of the big ones. Keys came back with me & helped me work in mounting the horn button & getting the air horn wired up - had to borrow the electric drill from Snover. Mother, Mary & I did some planning our trip to-night - looked over our maps - I picked out 6 movie films to take with us - Johnnie had written & asked that we bring some. I did a little more work on my speech. Boy - we sure are getting all geared up over the trip. I can hardly wait to be on our way. Mac Almon called this evening & told me he was going to Pk. early in the morning with Jimmie Johnston. I made out my list of cameras & equipment to take on the trip so I can get it all insured. To bed 11:30.

5/28/47 WEDNESDAY:

A beautiful bright warm day. Got up at 7:00 - Mary drove me down to the office at 8:00, took Babe to school. I had a very busy day getting everything caught up before I leave for California to-morrow. Went over to see Red Waterfield, Leon Fender & Ray DeVeger about the job training of the people who are up here from Poughkeepsie. Red suggested giving them all IBM Products & some of them Mechanical & Electrical Principles. I spent some time this morning on my speech for San Jose. Gave Don a number of letters. Called Bob Hainin & arranged for the insurance on the camera equipment I am taking with me. Bob assured ^{me} it ~~would~~ would all be covered if I would make out a list & send it down to him. At 11:30 I went to the cafeteria with Ray Davis for lunch. Everyone was asking me about the trip. Mary and I had a busy day getting all the loose ends brought together before leaving on the trip. I called Russ & he couldn't get me the polar-screen for my camera so I walked down town about 3:30 & got a polarizer lens from Jim Havin. Happened to

run into Mary & Barbara down town. Mary was getting Barb a pair of shoes. I saw Perry Starbuck this afternoon - Perry gave me some more suggestions for the trip - I have ^{almost} a note book full now. Stopped over to see Wall Hawn about the possibility of giving Jim Seely additional time for his vacation if he wants it. I explained Jim had indicated one time he wanted to take an extended trip & that we could certainly spare him from the work in our dept. Wall agreed we should give him extra time if he needed it or wanted it but not to necessarily promote the idea with him. I talked to Jim & learned he actually didn't want more than the 3 weeks. Had a terrifically busy afternoon trying to everything finished - talked with all the people in the Office - called Oliver Andrews, Jack O'Connor & Carl Snyder over & told them about the trip & when I would be back. Mary stopped by for me at 5:15 - we stopped around to see John Smith about getting the truck for this evening. I was disappointed I didn't get the book of maps from Conoco to-day which we had been expecting, however with the A.A.A. I believe we have all the maps we need. After supper Barbara

& Eddie DeVenti rode on to Smith's farm
 with me to get their Dodge truck. I borrowed
 John's truck to take the girls back over to
 DeVenti - Keys helped me load them -
 I took a couple of pictures - when we got
 all the stuff on the truck it sure looked like
 moving day. Mr. DeVenti helped us set
 them up. Mary put the girls to bed in
 their new quarters at DeVenti to-night.
 I took the truck back to them as soon as I
 got back Keys helped me wash it & polish
 the chrome - at least I will start out with
 a clean car. Mary & I drove over to DeVenti
 about 9:00 - Eddie & Mary too were all in
 bed - we said our good-bye as we don't
 plan to run down there in the morning.
 Mr. DeVenti admitted he wished he had
 as good a set up to leave his children when
 he was in Europe - & Mrs. DeVenti said
 she wouldn't keep children for anyone but us.
 It sure is well of them to do this. Mary
 left \$100.00 with Mr. DeVenti to cover
 expenses for the girls - food etc. I told
 Mr. & Mrs. DeVenti that if they wanted to
 go to Europe one time we would recommend
 by taking their boys. I had a very long

evening getting my camera equipment all together & my lens cleaned also the bags packed to leave for California in the morning. Mary, Mother & I were all excited about the prospect of the start of the trip to-morrow. Mary made some coffee for us about 10:30. Finally got to bed about 12:00.

5/29/47 THURSDAY:

Got up at 6:30 & hurried around to be off for California at 8:30 - it was very foggy early but cleared off at about 8:00. Ray Davis stopped over at 8:00 & got some more of me packing the car & of us leaving. Mrs. De Venti called while we were having bk. about 7:30. Mary talked with Babs & also Mary Lou - she said she thought she noted a tear in Barbara's voice. Mrs. De Venti said she had everything under control - boy she sure has a gang with the 4 boys & our 2 girls. We were all set to off on schedule at 8:30 but as usual Mary couldn't decide whether she had turned off the stove & I just wouldn't leave with that question on her mind so we went back - Ray climbed in the garage window to get the

house by where we had left it for Keas.
 Also as usual the stove was turned off. We
 stopped at John Smith's & got the tank filled
 with gas. I was on my way from Endicott
 by 9:00. John said he wished he were going
 with me - he has been planning to go to
 California for over a year. It was a beautiful
 bright morning to start on trip - but very
 warm. Of all things - we got off the road
 in Elmira - took a wrong turn & drove
 north to Horseheads. I drove to Elmira &
 Mary drove from there to Williamsport.
 Mary & Mother had fixed some sand -
 mixture & we ate them on the road -
 stopped at Lock Haven for some ice cream.
 The road really gotten terribly warm - it
 turned out to be a very showy afternoon. I
 drove from Lock Haven & for most of
 the afternoon - we drove thru several
 hard showers - it rained so hard we
 couldn't see the road. We hit a detour
 if I drove all to Greensburg so we de-
 cided not to go thru Pittsburgh on the AAA
 but route us. We did follow on AAA
 way most of the way. Mary & Mother
 got some meat to make sandwiches on

of the rest of the loaf of bread they had brought from home so we didn't stop for dinner. Drove on thru to Washington Pa. & then started looking for a place to stay - just outside of Wash. we located the Castle Cabin ^{6:30} & after looking over the set-up decided to stay even though we thought \$7.50 for a double cabin was plenty. It was the ideal set-up - two rooms with a bath between. Took some pictures of the place - after we got settled we drove back into town & did a little shopping & had a bit to eat to top off our dinner. Got some cards & paper for a ball point pen to write them with. Got back to the cabin at 8:00 - it had gotten much colder & the bear sure felt good. Wrote some cards - I wrote Kees a note - wrote the note, looked over the maps - had the little radio plugged in & the place seemed quite homely. Turned in at 9:00 to be ready for an early start to-morrow.

5/30/47 FRIDAY:

Bright & cool to-day - a beautiful day for driving. I got up at 5:30 - shaved & packed - Mary & Mother were up & dressed ready to leave at 6:10 so

we got a good early start. I took a
 picture of Castle Cavern with all the cars
 lined up. One party had left earlier
 than us. I accidentally stepped on the
 air horn to honk as I was backing the
 car out - of all things to do at that
 hour. I'll bet I awoke some of the
 tourists. It really was a beautiful morning -
 we kept on ^{U.S.} Route 40 all day. It
 was very foggy down thru the valley
 from Wheeling W. Va. - I took a picture of
 the fog looking back down on it after
 we had climbed up again out of the
 valley. At Zanesville Mary & Mother had
 to stop to look at some of the pottery.
 We drove 110 miles before breakfast
 this morning - ate in a little town called
 Hebron. Mary helped me some with the
 driving - however I did most of the driving.
 Drove thru Columbus & Springfield Ohio. It
 was nice and cool - a perfect day for
 driving. We picked up an hour when
 we hit the Central Time Belt & then
 some of the places thru Indiana &
 Illinois are not on daylight saving
 which give us two hours ahead.

We followed the radio reports on the Auto Race at Indianapolis - the big 500 mile classic. It was quite thrilling - we hit Indianapolis about 2:30 after the race was well under way. Picked up a special edition of The Indianapolis News telling all about the race & the accident in which one of the racers was killed. The paper also had a story on the terrible airplane accident at ¹⁰ Guardia Field last night. A D.C. 4 crashed in taking off & killed 39 & badly injured 9. We stopped in Indianapolis for lunch - tried The Seville Restaurant - listed in Duncan Hines "Adventure in Good Eating". It was a very nice place. I got a couple pictures of the Soldiers' & Sailors' Monument in the center of town. It was thrilling to listen to the finish of the races on the radio as we left Indianapolis. We gave up the idea of making St. Louis when we stopped outside of Indianapolis & learned it was 249 mi. from there to St. Louis. The highways across Ohio & Indiana were really good & we made good time - drove 60, 65 & even 70 some of the time. No need

limit in Indiana & in Illinois. I had set 500 mi. as our goal for the day & when we had run it we started looking for a place to stay - it was about 8:00 o'clock our time when we located a tourist home in Vandalia Ill., however it was only 6:00 Vandalia time. An older couple stopped just after we stopped - they were on their way to Calif. too. After we got located - took a couple of pictures, & then drove down town for dinner at a nice air cooled restaurant. Didn't need the air cooling however as it really wasn't warm to-day. Got back to the room at 9:15 on Eastern Time - we set our clock back an hour to be on Central Time. Wrote some cards - looked over the maps & wrote these notes. To bed 9:30 Central Time. I think I like the tourist home better than the cabin. Nice & cool again to-night - in fact this has been one of the coldest Decoration Days on record throughout the country.

5/31/47 SATURDAY:

Another bright cool day - what beautiful weather for driving. Got up at 5:30 - the other couple at the tourist home beat me by about 10 min. They left before us. We were on our way by 6:10 Central Daylight Time. Took a picture of the place before we left Vandalia. Had about 50 mi. to drive into St. Louis. Got off the route a couple of times & lost a little time getting thru St. Louis. We were sorry we didn't take the Route 40 by-pass around the city, however I doubt whether we could have saved much time. - Heard on the car radio about another airplane crash in Maryland last night - another D.C.4 with 53 on board & all 53 killed - the worse plane crash on record & just after the terrible crash of the D.C.4 at La Guardia Thu. night killing 40. This brings to 169 known dead in plane crashes over the world in the last two days. The other crashes were in Japan, Iceland & the Netherlands. We stopped for bl. at a road side restaurant in the Ozarks west of St. Louis. Mother & Mary really enjoyed their trip thru the Ozarks of Missouri - we stopped twice at roadside

souvenir stands - also pottery & woolen goods. Got some souvenirs to send them back to the kids - stopped & mailed them at the little town of Stanton Mo. - We stopped at the town of Lebanon Mo. Took some pictures of Mary & Mother did some more shopping for souvenirs. Mary helped me some with the driving. We drove on to Springfield Mo. for lunch at 2:45 - on time - but 12:45 Springfield time. We are leaving the clock in the car on E.S.T. so we know what time it is back home. Had lunch at Davidson's Cafeteria - recommended by Duncan Hines - it was very good - especially the pecan-pie. Mother was much interested in looking up Al Hayes - a friend of Jack Maysen's who was up to call on the D. Eason. Last year & who live in Walnut Grove Mo. We telephoned but got no answer. We were told it was 18 mi. out to Walnut Grove so we gave up the idea of driving out. Mary & Mother were in watch for the cow-boys & hill-billies all day. Oh yes. - we hit Route 66 in St. Louis so we had our kicks on Route 66 to-day. I was a

bit disappointed in the highway at first as I had expected it to be a 3 or 4 lane highway but it is only 2 lane most of the way - however this is really good considering the road was only a gravel highway when Mother & Mary made their trip to Yellowstone 13 years ago. We made a couple of stops this afternoon for refreshments. It got much warmer & toward night it got very dark & rainy - I don't wonder - I just heard on the radio here in the noon that they had a hurricane at Woodward Oklahoma this afternoon & that is only about 150 miles from here. We had hoped to see Tulsa this afternoon but it got so dark & started raining some that we decided to turn in at Claremore - this is the home town of Will Rogers - as soon as we got in town we drove up on the hill to see the Will Rogers Memorial. It was getting dark & raining some so we couldn't see much. Checked in here at the Kurl's Court about 8:30 on time - I stopped back down town to get the car greased & oil changed at a Conoco Service Station. Mother & Mary did some shopping - we stopped in the Hotel Mayor Lobby & took a look at the Large Individual Gun Collection, the

David Gun collection, over 8000 guns. We returned to our cabin & went right next door to a little restaurant for dinner - had a well chicken dinner for only 65¢ - the old lady that ran the place came in & joined us to chat with us. Returned to the cabin - Mother, May & I are staying in one big room with two double beds - it is such a nice clean, new place we decided to take it even though we would have had two separate rooms. We paid \$6.00 for the three of us - it is a swell place much better than the first cabin we had. Mother, May & I all had a real card writing spell this evening - didn't get finished up until about 11:30. All took shower & turned in about 11:45.

6/1/47 SUNDAY:

We were awoken about 2:30 this A.M. by a very heavy thunder-storm. The rain was coming down in sheets & the wind was blowing a gale. Our first thought was the fear of a hurricane or tornado. We had heard on the radio before retiring a report of a tornado at Woodward in the northern part of Oklahoma. Bob, I sure was concerned about the car for it stood outside & I was afraid of some hail. It rained most all the night. Got up an hour later this morning as it was raining hard at 5:30 when the alarm went off. Got up at 6:30 C.D.T. however that was actually 5:30 Claremore time. Very windy & stormy yet this morning. Got under way about 7:15 - heard on the car radio that the tornado last night had killed 6 persons at the little town of Leedey in northern Oklahoma. We enjoyed the cowboy songs & revival service on the radio. Stopped at a very nice cafe (W. & J. Eat Shop) in Bristow for Bk. It cleared off by noon & really warmed up. Hit some of the prairie country to-day - we were impressed with all the oil wells right in the city limits of Oklahoma City.

Took a movie of an Oklahoma City sign.
 Got gas in Clinton Okla. & tried to eat
 at Harry's Cafe - a place recommended by
 Duncan Hines but it was packed - so
 we drove on then to El Dorado - got there
 at 2:45 - 12:45 C.S.T. - had lunch there
 in a nice air cooled grill. Had to stop
 near Shamrock Texas for a gas main
 break. They were stopping all cars until
 they got the main shut off. We were
 held up about 20 min. I took a movie
 of Mary driving by on Route 66 - it
 cleared up & was a beautiful afternoon.
 Somehow we didn't make too good time
 to-day - we got into Amarillo Texas
 about 7:00 or only 5:00 Amarillo time - it
 was a bit early to turn in but we
 didn't want to get shut out & there
 are not good size towns for some distance
 West of Amarillo so we checked in at
 the Alamo Court - a very nice place - had
 to take a big double room again with two
 double beds. Mother didn't mind so we
 all bundled together again. Had a
 really nice room & bath. I took some
 pictures of the place - cleaned up a bit

So then we went down the street for a few blocks for dinner. A place that specialized on 'chicken on the wing'. I got a kick out of Mary & Mother they talked all day about being on a diet but they couldn't resist the chicken gizzards on the menu. We all had 6 fried chicken gizzards, fried potatoes & all the trimmings - a really big meal. There is something about this riding all day that really makes you hungry. Came back to the cabin, put on some old clothes & drove down the street a ways to a little road station & helped the boy then wash the car. I had borrowed a bucket from the man at the cabin to wash the car myself - but I am sure glad I had the job done at the station. They have a real set-up there & we did a good job. Mary had gone to bed when I got back to the cabin - I took a bath, wrote them notes, looked over my speech for San Jose & retired at 10:30 E.D.S.T. This is 8:30 Amarillo time. It is very warm here this evening - Mary & Mother wrote a lot of cards as usual. Mary is already snoring & Mother is taking a bath so I am turning in for an early start to-morrow. Covered M. to-day.

6/2/47 MONDAY:

A beautiful day for driving - got up at 6:00 or 5:00 Amarillo time - really over slept an hour, for I had planned to leave at 4:30. Again I hit the air horn button on the floor of the car in backing it out - gee I felt foolish making all that noise. Lucky for me no one in the neighboring cabin complained about it. - Was on our way by 6:45. Checked the mileage & found it was over 600 miles to Grand Canyon - we were sorry we didn't drive further last night; especially after we found plenty of motor courts along the road out of town - we only drove 434 miles yesterday. Hit some beautiful level farming country on the plains of Texas. Crossed the Texas & New Mexico State line soon after we left Amarillo. We were surprised how different the country side was in New Mexico - more barren prairie & rolling hills. We were also quite surprised at the altitude - were up to over 7000 feet crossing the plains of N.M. Stopped for bk. at the little town of Tucumcari N.M. - May & Mother really started their diets to-day - only a cup of coffee for bk. Took some pictures along the way of the straight highway. We

we covered the ground - cold due 65, 70 & even 75 some of the time. As we left before we crossed ^{from} the Central time to the Mountain time zone & gained another hour. That put us 3 hr. ahead - that with them not being on Daylight saving here in N.M. It got too confusing having so many different times so we finally set the car clock back 3 hrs. to be on the local time. Used the radio in the car quite a bit - it seemed funny hearing some of the N.Y. City Programs coming on 3 hrs. early - for instance Fat Smith at 11:00 noon in N.Y.C. came on at 9:00. Got into Albuquerque about 11:30 - it had warmed up & was really summer weather - we stopped just out of town & took some pictures at a place where they had a mounted bronco. Mary took a picture of me on the Bronco. Did some shopping & had lunch in Albuquerque. Left about 1:15 for Gallup N.M. Very warm driving across the plains this afternoon - but not as warm as I had expected it would be. A lot of the cars carried a water bag to have cold water with them but I couldn't see that was necessary, for there were places to stop every few miles.

Stopped & got some pictures of the Indians
 selling pottery along the highway. After the Con-
 tinental Divide about the middle of the after-
 noon - stopped & took some pictures. Drove
 thru the Navajo Indian Reservation this after-
 noon - saw a lot of Indians - found Ballyh
 to be a real Indian town but we didn't stop
 buried right on thru so we could reach the
 Painted Desert & the Petrified Forest yet to-
 day. It was almost too far - the sun had
 clouded over so when we finally reached the
 Painted Desert about 6:20 it wasn't much
 to look at - couldn't get any color pictures.
 I took some black & white shots - it was really
 quite disappointing - I told mother it didn't look
 much better than the Upland Meadows & she
 said got a kick out of that. We drove around
 the rims of the Desert & had a good look,
 it was too bad there wasn't any sun light.
 Drove around to the Petrified Forest but
 found the place closed after 5:00 so we couldn't
 get in to see it - bought some pieces of
 petrified wood. I understand the forest itself
 really isn't much so I didn't feel too badly
 about it. Drove on thru to Winslow ~~Ariz.~~ Ariz.
 It was me driving at dusk for a change &

much cooler - we drove on after dark before reaching Winslow about 9:00 - it was the first we had driving with lights. Had to look around some for a place to stay - got two nice rooms at La Siesta Court - a very nice place - as soon as we checked in we drove down town & had supper at 9:15 at a little cafe. Got back to the court about 10:00. Mary & I spent a lot of time writing cards & I wrote this note: This is a lovely room & a well shower - took a shower & turned in about 11:00. (Drove 590 Mi. to-day a record for the trip)

6/3/47 TUESDAY:

Got up at 5:00 - it looked quite cloudy early this morning - got under way about 5:40. Still cool this morning. It cleared off on the way into Flagstaff & was a beautiful drive - took a few pictures. Drove on past on then off on Route 89 to Grand Canyon & went on into Flagstaff for Bk. & also got the car gassed up. Gas was 29¢/gal. the highest yet. We began seeing the foothills of the Rockies - it put me in mind of the Canadian Rockies in Banff Park. - Ah Yes! Noticed the car heated up a little this morning & it was really quite cool - the radio was partly clogged with

dead bugs - I had the man at the service station blow them out with the air hose. It sure made a difference - the car ran cool again. We drove into Grand Canyon National Park was simply gorgeous - took some movies of Mary driving into the park - also some of the view thru the windshield. Boy what gorgeous country! I let Mary drive so I could be free to take pictures - I sure had a busy time with 2 Leicas & my Movie Camera. Our first stop at the Canyon was at Desert Point or rather Desert View - the Grand Canyon lived up to my every expectation - it sure is a gorgeous spectacle. I took quite a few shots from Desert View - also stopped a several places along the rim of the Canyon as we drove thru to Grand Canyon Village. The kept clouding up & we even got into some rain but it was only a shower. Got in here to Grand Canyon Village about 11:30 & was lucky to find a room in the El Tovar Hotel - the only hotel in the place - in fact the village - consists of just the hotel & the cabin which are a part of the hotel. We had to take a big room with two double beds - it was all they had here at the hotel - the place was crowded with a

lot of Rotarians on their way to the Convention at San Francisco. As soon as we got checked in & settled we had lunch in the Hotel dining room - a well place to eat. Boy - it sure is quite a contrast to some of the Cafes we have eaten in on the trip. It seemed good to be in a really nice hotel again. May, Mother & I we had a busy afternoon of sight seeing & shopping for souvenirs. It seemed May wanted to buy everything she saw - I was a bit disappointed in the weather - very cloudy - however some broken sky & flashes of sun from time to time. It sure wasn't good weather for taking pictures - I did take some however - there wasn't nearly enough sun on the Canyon to make it beautiful. We took a short ride along the South Rim & I took a couple more pictures. We met our friend from Ohio this afternoon again - it's funny how on a trip you get so friendly with people you meet more than once. At 5:30 we saw the Indians' Dance here at the Hotel - I got some colored movies of them. We got acquainted with an old couple from Clearwater, Florida this afternoon - ran into them several different places - the old guy was quite a card - May, Mother & I got a big kick out of hearing him talk. Oh Yes!

Mary decided to-day she would take the trip by mule to the bottom of the Canyon with me to-morrow - we registered for the trip & leave at 9:00 in the morning. Mary had to rent a pair of slicks & I got a cowboy hat for the trip. Gee! I'm sure looking forward to the trip - however I am just a bit apprehensive about it - for the man asked me my weight & when I said 200 lbs. he questioned whether they had a large enough donkey for me. He thought it would be Ok if we took the short trip & that is the one we are planning to take. Mary & I looked over some color slides of the Canyon on sale & bought a couple - also some view master reels. - Had dinner to-night at the coffee shop in the Angle Lodge & then went to the Movie & Lecture at the Gob Lookout by one of the Gob Bro. who were one of the first to explore the depths of the Canyon. He gave a most interesting lecture illustrated with movie & slides - the movie some of them were taken over 30 yrs ago of some of his expeditions down the Canyon. It sure was exciting - I enjoyed it very much. After the movies we stopped in an Angle Lodge to see them dancing. Mary & I had a dance.

It was a beautiful moon-light night & it was certainly thrilling walking along the rim of the Canyon. Mother, May & I got back to the room about 10:00 - wrote a lot of cards. It has been the most exciting & enjoyable day of the whole trip thus far - even though the weather wasn't too good this afternoon - had a couple short showers. I looked over my notes for my talk at San Jose, took a bath & turned in at 11:30 - Mother & May had gone on to bed a bit earlier.

6/4/47 WEDNESDAY:

A beautiful day at the Grand Canyon - I got up at 6:00 - didn't wake May or Mother. I shaved & dressed & then walked out along the rim of the Canyon to see the effect of the early morning run on it. It was looked beautiful & I got a couple of pictures. Came back to the hotel at 7:00 - met May in the lobby & ate her breakfast in the dining room. We were both all excited about the trip to the bottom of the canyon. Went back to the room & got all decked up for the ride - Mother didn't get up - we took it easy at the hotel to-day. May & I rented cowboy hats & May the

rented a shirt & a pair of slacks. After we got all decked out we went up in front of the hotel & I got a couple of pictures of us in our outfit. At 8:45 we turned down to the Corral at the top of the Bright Angel Trail - the people were gathering for the trip to the bottom of the Canyon. It was a beautiful day - as clear as a bell - I got some color shots both still & movies. I was surprised to learn that Mary & I were the only ones signed up for the Plateau trip, all the rest were going all the way to the river. I was a bit disappointed at first but it turned out best. There sure was a lot of excitement around the Corral getting all the parties assigned to mules & started down the trail. Mary & I had to wait until last as we were taking the short trip. Had our pictures taken before we started down - that is the regular procedure. It sure is tough riding going down the trail - it is quite steep in places & the donkeys we give you a real jolting. I had a real big mule called Riley - they gave me a large mule due to my weight. Mary's mule was called Skillet - she had some trouble making him keep up with our guide Guy. The guide kept pushing

up right along on the way down. Had to make the mules trot at times to catch up & oh boy, what a bouncing you got then. May began to complain before we got half way down & said she was sorry she had come & I knew what she meant. But the view of the canyon as we came down the trail was absolutely gorgeous. Made a short rest stop at the Indian Gardens in the clump of large trees. Two of the three parties who had started out ahead of us were still there. Three of one of the parties decided to change their minds & join us for the shorter trip to Plateau Point. That made 5 in our party. We dropped about 4000 feet coming down the trail - The view from Plateau Point was really beautiful. The guide said it was much prettier than down near the river as you were boxed in by the walls of the Canyon. I made good use of the new Polarized Lens on my camera in taking the color pictures - I do hope I have the right combination on it, for I would hate to lose any of the pictures. It sure seemed different looking up at the sides of the Canyon instead of looking down at them. We were out on Plateau Point only 15 or 20 minutes - just time enough to have a good look & to take the





picture - then returned to the Indian Gardens where we waited on mule to eat the box lunch they had prepared for us in the shade of the large tree. The Indian Gardens is just like an oasis in a desert for it is the only real green spot anywhere we could see. It was getting quite warm & the shade sure felt good - it also felt good to get off those mules after all the climbing we had taken. Two tame deer & a dozen or so squirrel kept us company while we ate lunch. Mary & I laid out on the picnic table for a short rest after lunch. I got some pictures of the cactus blooms. There were many different types of cactus along the trail but the thing that amazed me most was the rock formation. There were signs along the trail that pointed out places in the rock which showed sea shells & various shark teeth etc. which proved the rock was formed many thousands of years ago under the sea or at the bottom of an ocean. We started back about 2:00 & that really is a climb coming up the trail. I was surprised to find that they allow people to hike down the trail we met several parties. One older couple about half way up were so exhausted they just couldn't make it so they had called for one of the guides to bring down a couple of mules. There are several

spoke along the trail where they can call the
Canall at the top. We met the mules coming
down & had to double back on the trail to a
point where we could pass. I had a little
trouble getting Riley to go the other direction - it
seemed a bit dangerous turning the mules around
on the narrow trail. We met another couple who
were just about passed & they inquired of Guy how
much it would cost to get a couple of mules.
He told them \$20.00 & they changed their mind.
The trail was very dusty - about 2' of dust on
most of it. I had the rear position in our
party so I got all the dust. I let Riley lay
back some to keep out of most of it. I tried to
take some more from Riley's back but that
didn't work so well. We made about 20 stops
on the way up to rest the mules. It was
a bad grind for them, for the trail
back was a lot easier than the trail down - the
mules rode more smoothly - but it was a bad
ride never - the - less - one of the older ladies in
our party came near fainting - we had to stop &
the guide got her off the mule just in time. She
gave her a drink of water & some smelling salts to
revive her. That held us up about 10 min. - we
got back to the Canall at 4:40. It was a

wonderful trip but I was glad it was over. May & I were both plenty saddle-weary. Came back to the hotel & cleaned up some, I sure felt gungy riding in that dust on the trail. We checked out right away - as I was going out to get the car I was surprised to meet Bill & Janice Mayson from Rochester. They had arrived this afternoon & had spotted our car in the parking lot. They were much interested in the details about our trip to the bottom of the Canyon as they were expecting to go to-morrow. May & I gave some what conflicting stories about it - we had some fun kidding them about it. Only had a few minutes to visit with them - one of the civilian Bellhops helped me out with all the baggage & the as soon as we were loaded we were on our way - left about 5:30. May & I felt so exhausted we only drove on to the town of Williams which was about 60 miles - got in here about 6:30 & found swell accomodation - two rooms with a bath between in Hall's Hotel, a new place just opening up. As soon as we got checked in we went down the street to Rod's Steak House - May & I splurged a bit & each had a swell big steak & it was delicious. We thought it would help to revive us after that mule ride.

To-day, however we all over ate. After eating Mother & Mary stopped for dinner & I took the car to a gas or service station & had it lubricated & oil changed. I stayed with the car while it was being done. When I got back to the Motel I was surprised that Mother & Mary hadn't returned - I went down the street & met them walking back - we all stopped in for a soda & Mary & Mother got involved in some more shopping. Mary had bought me a little mule or a roan in of my ride to-day. Mary saw Mexican Painter Painter in a store for 1.00 just like mine but paid \$150 for it so she took them back - the poor Mother had gotten a mule for \$2.00. Got back to the room about 10:00 - I wrote some cards - but I felt so darn tired & sore - I took a shower & then in about 10:30 - besides being sore - I had a bad sun-burn on my arms & face. To-bed 10:30.

6/5/47 THURSDAY:

Got up at 5:00 & were on our way out of William by 5:45 - boy, I sure felt tough, I was so sore from that mule ride yesterday I could hardly get out of bed. I let Mary drive quite a bit for I had a headache & I felt sick at my stomach. We drove on thru to

Kingman for breakfast - just toast & coffee. I mailed the 3rd movie film at the post office in Kingman. We hurried along & got up to Hoover Dam about 10:00 - we had gained another hour, crossing into the Pacific Time zone between Williams & Kingman. The Hoover Dam was really a thrill for me - it sure is a great engineering feat. I had the misfortune of losing a screw out of my Tai-pod which put it out of order, however I took quite a few pictures of the Dam. Mary also bought 3 View Master reels so I guess we had the place well covered. It sure is a beautiful piece of work. We took the guided tour down to the bottom of the Dam. Took an elevator to the bottom a depth of over 500' - took us a minute & 15 seconds to go down. I was interested to learn that the Dam cost the government 138 million dollars to build & they have already gotten back 43 million from the sale of power. We also heard a very interesting lecture on the Dam. There are 14 large high tension lines going out from the Dam which serve Arizona & Southern California. They had a miniature panorama of the entire Colorado River Basin on which they illustrated the 9 min. lecture. It was a very interesting story of how

by the Hoover Dam project they had converted the raging Colorado River from a destructive thing to a very useful project by storing the flood water during the spring when the snow melts & runs off the mountains, into Lake Mead formed by the Dam, the largest artificial lake in the world. The water is then released during the dry season for irrigation purposes in Southern California. I had never thought of the Dam having other purposes than the generation of power - it also serves to store water for irrigation & to control the spring floods of the Colorado River. We saw a car with 2 in N.Y. license & assumed it was someone from Endicott. Drove on over to Boulder City & stopped there for lunch about 12:00. It was a beautiful little town right out in the hot lava country. Drove on into Las Vegas after lunch & spent a hour or so there. The place over Motel, Hwy 91 was in & out of motif of the day by gambling place & they can have a lot of them. We each tried our luck on the 5 & 10 cent slot machines - Mother enjoyed in by getting a 30¢ mill on her first coin - we won her a large order that day - won 50¢ on of the machines

I tried but I put in about a dollar. Las Vegas sure is a wide open town - every store has a counter of slot machines - and everyone seems dressed gay & ready for most anything. We all got quite a kick out of seeing the place. Took some pictures of Las Vegas & left about 3:30 - Mother seemed quite interested in seeing Death Valley but it was hot enough driving on it road & I had inquired about driving thru Death Valley at Boulder Dam & the man told me he thought we would have enough driving over desert crossing the Mojave Desert so I gave up the idea of seeing Death Valley & we took route 91 out of Las Vegas for Baker California. Stopped at the California State Line & took a movie of Mary driving the car into Calif. I discovered after we left Las Vegas that I had left my ^{good} hat in the little cafe in Boulder City when we had lunch. It was too far to go back so we ^{just} left it. Stopped in Baker for gas & something to drink at a big Service Station & inquired again about Death Valley - both Mother & Mary were quite interested in seeing it - the man gave us a map of Death Valley National Park & told us just how to go & where to stay so we decided to change our course & instead of going on

into Barstow we turned North to Death Valley. The season for Death Valley is from Nov. 1st to May 1st. but we assured us we could get accommodations at the Amargosa Hotel at Death Valley Junction & Duncan Miner listed it as being open all year so we ventured on. And it sure was an exciting & venture. Took route 127 North from Baker to Shoshone & Death Valley Junction - only met one car in over 80 miles. It was very unusual country - stopped & took several pictures along the way. Got into Death Valley Junction about 7:00 Pacific Time & found only one other car or party at the Amargosa Hotel. We were pleasantly surprised with the accommodations - however they were a bit high - \$6.50 for May & I & \$5.00 for Mother. It was built all on one level just like a Motel or Town Com. I took a couple of pictures but the sun had gone down back of the mountain & the winter hardly enough light. We were all surprised how cool it got when the sun went down. Here I thought it would be deadly hot in Death Valley & it was actually cooler than it is at home during the summer. After we got checked in we drove back down the road a little way to the little town York - a very primitive

setting with just wooden crosses as grave markers. I got some pictures. There was a nice sunset over the desert & the wind came up after dark to make it sound & seem even more desolate. Death Valley Junction consists of only the Hotel & a few station on the highway - all operated by the Pacific Coast Borax Company. We had supper in the coffee shop at the Hotel & had the man open the souvenir shop, general store & post office which was all one, to get some cards. I felt a little better to-night but my sunburn is still very bad.

Mary still complained this evening that she had pain from the mule ride. We sat in the lobby of the Hotel for awhile after supper & looked at several photograph albums of pictures of Death Valley, most of them reminiscing of the 20th full year Death Valley Days - we also looked over the big rock collection - it all served to add atmosphere to the place. It certainly was the most unique place we have stayed at yet & we are all glad we came this way. Wrote a lot of cards to-night so we could mail them from Death Valley. I was surprised they were so free with their water on here on the desert - no restrictions at all - took a shower & turned in about 10:45.

6/6/47 FRIDAY:

A beautiful morning in Death Valley Junction - I was awoken by the sun shining in my window & got up with a start thinking I had over slept, but the clock said 4:55 - the sun sure come up early out here in the desert. We hurried around to get off before it got too hot on the Desert. I took several pictures of the place - Mother & Mary struck up a conversation with the old man who the proprietor of the hotel had told us was one of the original of the 20 mule team gang, Johnny Wells. I got a picture of Mother & Mary talking with him. Told us he was the one who had given the Radio people the stories they used on The Death Valley Days Programs. He said they always dressed them up some - was an interesting old chap. It was about 6:00 when we shoved off for the drive up thru Death Valley - I was surprised to find it so cool - the air coming in the windows of the car was actually cool. We had to stop to register as we entered the Death Valley Park - there was no ranger at the station & the whole area was so barren & desolate it made you feel somehow that you were signing your death warrant. We stopped at ZABRISKIE Point

as we had been advised to do and it was
was a beautiful view of the soil erosion on
the desert. The colors on the sand were absolutely
gorgeous & the sun was just right. I really
had a great time taking pictures. It sure was
a beautiful drive on up thru Death Valley -
I wouldn't have missed it for anything. We
got quite a kick out of watching the alti-
meter on the car - it kept going down &
at Furnace Creek down where we stopped
to take it a picture it reached the all time
low of about 200' below sea level. It
seemed funny to see a beautiful big clump
of trees on the Desert & it was
entirely deserted closed for the summer - it
is open only Nov. 1st. to May 1st. We kept
watching the altimeter & it was 200' or more
below sea level for miles up thru the Valley.
The altimeter only registers to 0' but the
hand went over past the mark above 2 divisions.
It was the first & probably the only time I
shall ever see the thing read below 0'. We
also stopped to take some pictures of the
sand dunes - it sure is pretty to see
the sand all drifted up like snow banks.
I had to walk quite a distance from the

road to get the pictures I wanted. It had begun to get plenty warm. The sun was interesting to see the difference in elevation as we climbed out of Death Valley - we went from about 300' below sea level up to over 5000' coming over Townes pass over into Panamint Valley. The Buick sun worked swell - didn't even warm up - that sun is a well car - we have really enjoyed it on this trip. Stopped at Panamint Springs - just a road side service station for lunch - inquired there as to whether the Tioga Pass was open into the back of Yosemite Park - a young couple who were also having breakfast there said they had come over the pass the day before but that they got into a snow storm so we had better check to make sure it was still open. We drove on then to Lone Pine & there inquired again - stopped at a Ranger Station but there was no one around a note on the door advised us to inquire at the service station for road information - we stopped in a station & we assured the man would be open so we ventured on - all of us were wondering what we were really going into. Just outside of Lone Pine we started looking for Mt. Whitney & had to double

back home to get a picture of it. Drove on to Bishop & stopped there for lunch - after eating we looked around for a bus to get my car out - found 3 above the all busy so we drove on - got the car gained up & drove on as we wanted to get over the Tioga Pass before it got too late. Just outside of Bishop we noticed a lot of trucks & equipment along the road - May recognized it as a Movie Co. set in a location for taking movie - there was a Warner Bros. Emblem on all the trucks. We stopped at the top of the hill & walked back to inquire what was going on. In all your excitement of getting out of the car we left the key in the car. Boy! I sure was glad I had put the key under the hood before leaving home - all I had to do was borrow a screw driver from the movie tool truck & I was all set again. We discovered Warner Bros. had Anna Sheridan & Earl Flynn there at location about an hour earlier shooting a scene for their new movie Silver River. We were sure sorry to have missed seeing them - one of the men pointed out the double or stand-in for Earl Flynn - he sure looked just like him. After we left there & drove on a

few miles we saw a group of cowboys rounding up a whole herd of cows so we stopped & I got some pictures - movie too. Drove on then to the little town of ~~Leaving~~^{LEEVING} where we turned off the highway for the Tioga Pass. We informed at the town & found the Pass was definitely open - boy what a drive it was up the mountain, the road was very narrow & steep - both Mary & Mother were nervous about our safety. etc and looked penitent for you could look almost straight down several 1000 feet & there was no guard rails of any kind. We stopped a couple of places to take pictures - boy what a view back down the Valley. We were up to over 9000' feet coming over the pass - drove them places where there were snow banks 4' high on the sides of the road. Talk about you contrasts & all in the same day - we had come from 200' below sea level to over 9500' above sea level & from 100° to down around 50°. At Leevining the man had said it would take us 3 1/2 hours to drive the approx. 70 miles to the floor of Yosemite Valley - I couldn't believe it would take that long but I knew what he meant when we started down the Yosemite Park. We left Leevining

about 3:15 & got up into the park about 4:30 but we still had 40 miles or more to drive & about 20 of this was down the sides of the mountain on a very narrow, winding road where you could drive more than 20 or 25 miles/hr. I couldn't believe it was on the right road at first. It sure won some down into Yosemite Valley - from 9500' + down to about 4000'. We finally arrived at the Yosemite Lodge about 7:00 & I was glad to be able to get a cabin - took the last one they had - a cabin with two double beds equipped for house keeping - they let me have it for \$4.50 for the ten days. We thought it was very reasonable until we saw what it was. The cafeteria closed at 7:30 so we had supper before checking in - had to take one of the bell-boys get a can to take our luggage down to the cabin. It was way out in the woods - about the last one down & just a cabin - totter about a half block away & no carpet on the floor. We then realized \$150 each was plenty. As soon as we got settled we went back up to the Lodge to see the entertainment which they had advertised. Saw some very nice colored

movies of sunsets at Ypsilon Park. At 8:30 we turned away & drove down to the meadow just below the Hospital to see the much talked about Fire Fall. I was told I could get a good picture of it from there. I set up my movie camera & also had Mary all set to take a color slide. We were all set & ready to grab the picture sharply at 9:00 when they pushed the rock of the board fire over the cliff at Glaser Point. They do it every night sharply at 9:00 for the gun at the Park. I was very much disappointed in it - you could hardly see it & it lasted only a second or two. Mary didn't even take a picture & I was glad she didn't. I did take a few movies. We returned to the Lodge & spent some time in the lobby writing cards. I took my things out of the car & wrote some of these notes in the lounge at the Lodge. Mother & Mary turned in about 10:00 - I stayed & wrote until about 11:00 - had a soda at the Lodge before going down to the cabin at 11:00. I needed a good shower but couldn't take one. We were roughed it to-night. It seemed like going back to Nature, this walking down thru the woods to get to the cabin

6/7/47 SATURDAY:

I was awoken about 6:00 by heavy rain fall on the roof of our cabin - it was damp enough in the woods anyway but the rain sure made it plenty wet. It really rained hard for a couple of hours - I thought, what California weather & I was afraid we were in for a rainy day at Yosemite Park. It held up about 7:30 & I got up about 8:00 - had to go down across the woods to the main toilet to wash & shave. They did have hot water so it could have been worse. The ground was covered with large puddles of water so we really had a heavy rain. Gifford & Mother got up & we all walked up to the Lodge about 9:00 for breakfast - got there just in time as they close the cafeteria at 9:30. After breakfast Mother & Mary did some shopping around for souvenirs & I took some pictures of the Yosemite falls over the Lodge. It had cleared up a little but was very much overcast - not even picture taking weather at all. I was really quite disappointed for Yosemite is a beautiful place & lost honor when I shall ever get out here again.

We stopped over to Curry Camp & looked over the place - also stopped at the Administration Bldg. & paid our car fee of \$2.00 for the privilege of using the roads in the park. It seemed a bit high - for it is a season permit & we only intend to use it to-day. Took a look thru the Museum & heard an interesting lecture on the glacier period in which the Yosemite Valley was formed - they had large relief maps on which the lecture was illustrated. He gave you a little of the romance & background of the place. Took a ride around the park to see some of the beauty spots of the Valley floor - saw Mirror Lake & a close-up view of Yosemite Fall - took some movies of the falls. There was plenty of light - however no sun. Oh Yes! I had to buy a black & white film this morning the seven I had loaded into cartridge before leaving home have all been used. I sure will have plenty of pictures of the trip. I take more black & white as the weather isn't always good for color. Took a drive back up to Ward's Tioga Pass to get a picture from the outlook on the top of the mountain or on the side of the mountain on the way up. Got back to the Lodge

about 1:20 & Jim had time to get lunch at the Captain as it closed at 1:30. After lunch I got the boy with the car & went down to the cabin to get our luggage - checked out about 2:00 - took some pictures of our cabin & the car with our luggage. We left Yosemite Lodge about 2:30 & couldn't quite decide whether we wanted to take the long 35 m. m. ride up around the mountain to Glacier Point to see the view from there. Took some pictures of Bridalveil Fall, Cathedral Rock & El Capitan on our way down the Valley. Also got some pictures of Tunnel View. When we reached the turn off point to go to Glacier Point it was 16 mi. off our road down to the south end of the park. We still couldn't quite decide whether we should take the turn so we drove by several miles & then I thought I what I would have missed if I hadn't turned back to see Death Valley so I turned back & we drove up to Glacier Point - got up there about 4:30 & it was really bright - got our meal shot & then - though the sun was partly overcast & large clouds began floating by & I never did get a shot with sun on the Yosemite Fall. I

saw the spot where they push the fire over the cliff to make the fire fall. They had the bark all piled up for to-night. I was surprised that it was such a small pile - no wonder it doesn't look like more. We turned on to reach the Wawona Tree & the Mariposa Grove of big trees at the south end of the Park. It was quite a drive over 36 miles from Glacier Point & all winding road. We finally got there at 6:30 - luckily the sun was still showing out some & the light wasn't too bad - had to use the camera almost wide open however. Got pictures of Mother & May in the Wawona Tree & also May driving thru the tree. I sure had a picnic taking the pictures - got it in both black & white, color & also movie. Left there about 6:45 & drove out of the park about 7:00. Started looking for a place to stay but finally decided to drive on down to Fresno as it is a big town & we would have a better chance to get a place. Had to drive all the way thru town before we found many Motels - stopped in the El Rancho a lovely Motel - they were filled but the man called another place down the street, the Ritz Motel & we got room there - very nice accomodation. It was about 8:30 when

we got checked in - cleaned up a bit & then drove back to the El Rancho for some supper. It was by far the cleanest Motel we have seen yet. After eating we drove back down town to see more of it - we were very much impressed with the lovely modern store windows. It was the nicest thing we have seen yet - wide streets & really beautiful places. Stopped in a drive-in for a drink & got back to the room about 10:30 - did some writing & turned in about 11:15. We were quite surprised to find it so warm down here in Fresno - quite a contrast to the mountain air of Yosemite Park. All of the motels are air cooled something we hadn't seen before - it sure felt good too - we had our fan on most all the time in the room.

6/8/47 SUNDAY:

A beautiful morning in Fresno, we slept late - didn't get up until 8:00 & then took our time getting packed. I was all out of Black & White Film - I inquired at the motel office where I could get film & the man told me of a place just on the edge of town - many

rode in with me while Mother was getting dressed. I got 2 Plus X 35 mm. Films. We took some pictures of the Ritz Motel as we checked out. Drove down to the El Rancho Motel for breakfast - the El Rancho sure is a lovely place - with the ideal semi-tropical setting - with an outside patio & swimming pool. I tried to call Bob Wright, Dwayne's friend whom I met before leaving N.Y. I called his home & got Mrs. Wright - Bob was attending a meeting down town so I left a message with his wife - told her to tell him we had made California on schedule. Took route #99 north from Fresno to Stockton - a beautiful wide highway up thru the San Joaquin Valley. Stopped at a gas station just outside of Fresno & tried to call Herb Reynolds. Called the Roma Wine Plant where Herb is production control mgr. & got the watch-man at the gate - he was very nice & looked up Herb's home address - found he had moved into a new home & had no phone. I left word with the guard that I would call Wed. on our way down to Long Beach. They were picking figs in an orchard just across from the gas station - Mary Mother & I went over to see them & I got a picture. We also stopped at a place in Modena where they sold THE WORLD'S LARGEST

GLASS OF ORANGE JUICE, each had a glass - 20¢ a glass. The San Joaquin Valley is certainly a paradise - very fertile. We stopped at a new, very modern din in eating place for some lunch in Modesto for lunch about 1:30 - Got into Stockton ~~at~~ about 3:00 & stopped in the Stockton Hotel & called Jim Corson. He directed me on to his home & we drove on out. Jim was home alone - the family had gone out with the car. Jim got in with us & gave us a personally guided tour of the College of the Pacific & the town of Stockton. Dr President of the Stockton Chamber of Commerce & a member of the faculty of the College of the Pacific he was really well qualified as a guide. It was very interesting to see & see all about the college - we stopped & were in the Chapel - they were getting ready for a wedding. We met the organist Allen Bacon a very good friend of Duayne's. Jim showed us the Port of Stockton - I was surprised to learn that they can bring ocean going ships right into Stockton. We also drove thru Oxford Manor & Pacific Manor the main residential section of town. The California Homes are really beautiful. Stopped around to see the home that Duayne & Edna built - took a picture of it - it is a very nice home.

Jim's family were home when we got back to San Jose. Mary & I went in & met the family - Mr. Corson & their 4 children Jim, John, Mary Ann & Richard - also Mrs. Corson's Mother & Father. Had a short visit with them & then left about 4:15 for San Jose. Stopped at Mission San Jose about 15 min. for a look thru the old mission. It was about 15 miles from San Jose so I called Roy William to find whether he could get us reservation for to-night at the same place he had made them for to-morrow night. Drove on for about 10 mi. & called Roy back just before getting into San Jose - Roy was unable to get reservation for us but arranged to meet us at 1st. Street just outside of town - so we drove on & got there just a minute or so before Roy & his wife. Roy has a new Buick too - a light green one. Mrs. Anna, Roy's wife & we followed them as they drove on to show us where the motels were - it was about 6:30 & most of them were filled - we had to drive all the way across town & finally found one "Hillview Motel" way out of town, however it was a very nice place. After we got checked in - Mother, Mary & I drove back down town & had dinner at O'Brien - a swell place. It was about 9:30 by the time we got finished - we were the last ones out of the restaurant. Returned to the

Mother & I spent the rest of the evening reviewing my speech for to-morrow. Mary went to bed - I retired about 11:30.

6/9/47 MONDAY:

A dull cloudy morning in San Jose - I was surprised not to find the sun out when I got up at about 7:30 - it looked like rain to everyone and acted rain it was just very unusual weather. Had some breakfast & then at 8:00 stopped over to the Post Office but had no mail, we were a bit disappointed - Had to wait until 9:00 for a Bank to open - I asked the banker about the cloudy weather & he told me it was just a high fog - but by the time I got out of the shop about 9:30 it had begun to break away & the sun came out. It is really quite cool when it is cloudy but when the sun comes out it is quite warm. Got a new straw hat & Mary left my slacks to a maid to be cleaned & pressed. Then we drove back to the Motel & got Mother checked in & I drove Mary & Mother down town about 10:15 - Mary had made an appointment at a beauty shop for 10:30. I drove on out to the plant 16th. & St. John St. It is a very nice looking bldg. & Roy has a very nice set-up. Saw Mary Mason & Her Wolfe the Western Division Sales Manager.

I was pleased to get 5 letters from Endicott - two for May & I from Mr. DeVente. Arranged with Wolfe to have Howard Gee at Home get us reservation there for Wed. nights Mr. Graham at Long Beach get us reservation at Long Beach for Thu & Fri. Met Mr. Brambach mgr. of our Seattle Office - he told me it was necessary to get reservations as much as 1 month ahead to take the boat trip to Victoria & Vancouver so I arranged with him to get reservation for us.

At 12:00 Roy, Hal Wolfe & I hurried down town to the De Anza Hotel for the Kiwanis Meeting. I followed them in my car so the car would be there for May. It was a larger group than I had expected - about 110 - & a lovely room - met quite a few of the fellows. The acoustics were bad, they had to use a mike & loud speaker and besides that they had a record mike to make a wire recording of the talk for me on the radio later if they can to. This sort of upset me some. I wasn't at all pleased with the job I did - I had to read most of the talk & that always weakens a talk. Roy & the fellows seemed to be pleased with it however. I spoke on the subject, the History of Industrial Training & Education. After the meeting I found May & Mother having lunch in the dining room at the Hotel. I rode back to the plant with Roy

& Hal. I asked them about the brown colored green
 on the hills & mountains all along the road as
 we were coming into San Jose & learned that during
 the summer they actually go for months without
 rain so the only thing that stays alive in the
 which is irrigated - all else dries up & dies. We
 were looking forward to see miles & miles of dead
 green over the mountains. - Wolfe sent back
 Mr. Broha at Long Beach on the phone - I
 talked with him about reservations - he said it
 would be tough but would try & would wire me.
 Also talked with Howard Bee at Fresno &
 found he couldn't get in reservation at the El
 Rancho Motel so I told him to try the City.
 Arranged with him to contact Herb Reynolds for me
 & arranged to see the Roma Wine plant Wed.
 morning. Wolfe had wanted me to do this so he
 wanted Bee to make a contact at Roma Wine -
 They are the Lexington Bank equipment & he is
 interested in getting them to switch to I.B.M. -
 Fog drove me back to the De Anza. I got
 May & Motta & drove them over to the Bistro Motel
 & got checked in - the old guy there was getting
 all excited about our not coming earlier - he
 is a regular old juke budget. Fog & May
 met me at the Motel - we rode back to the

plane & dropped Roy, & Yvonne took me in their Buick for a ride around San Jose to see the points of interest. She drove me on the Bay Shore Highway to Palo Alto to see Stanford Univ. went up to the top of the tower of the Hoover Memorial Library. Palo Alto is the home of Herbert Hoover. Went around the campus & stopped in the Chapel - a gorgeous thing. Drove back to San Jose over the

Highway of the Kings & stopped around to see Santa Clara College - a very pretty catholic college - a lot of semi-tropical plants & flowers. Yvonne stopped at her home - a very nice Californian home - met her father, Mr. Lewis & her brother who are out here from Endicott, also her son & daughter Joannita who is graduating from High School to-morrow. Yvonne drove me around to the plant to pick up Roy - I took a couple pictures of the plant. Roy & Yvonne took me back to the Motel & we got cleaned up a bit. They met us here at 6:30 & drove us out the Bay Shore Highway about 10 mi. to Diners' Shack a famous eating place. Had a wonderful meal - smorgasbord & southern fried chicken. Took our time eating & then Roy drove me almost into San Francisco on the Bay Shore Highway. Came back to

San Jose on the Highway of the Kings. Got back to the Glorieta about 10:00. Wrote a letter to Dot & Jack & some cards to-night. We were all very pleasantly surprised to day with San Jose - it is a much larger & more modern place than I had ever envisioned - about 85,000 per. as large as Brighton but it seems even larger. To bed 11:15.

6/10/47 TUESDAY:

Another beautiful day in San Jose - Mary & I got up about 6:30 - Mother slept late - we down town & had breakfast in the Santa Clara Hotel Coffe Shop. Stopped around to the Bush place & made an appointment to get it greased - had 15 min. to wait so Mary & I stopped around to the Post Office & found Mother had a letter from Eleanor. Got the car greased, it was a beautiful big garage - a nicely appointed waiting room & all. It was about 9:30 when Mary & I got on to the plane. Mary was in with me to see the office - saw Larry Mason - both Larry & Roy are looking forward to coming out to the 100% Club in Endicott next August. Roy didn't have his car & had to be down at the Santa Clara Hotel at 9:30 for an appointment so Mary & I

drove him down. Waited for Roy & got back to the plant about 10:30. Got a box for Mary to pack to send home some of our dirty clothes & such. Mary took a picture of me with Roy in front of the plant. I spent some time with Roy discussing their training activities - I got a wire from Ray Graham advising me that he had gotten an reservation at the Manhattan Beach Hotel at Manhattan Beach which is just between Long Beach & Los Angeles. After Mr. Perkins who is a assistant to Wolfe - had seen him in Endicott before. At 11:30 Roy had a photographer out to the plant to take a picture of me with he, Wolfe & Roy. Roy showed me thru the plant & I saw several fellows whom I remembered being at Endicott. Roy would tip me off on the names so I would know to call them by name. I remembered Harry Matice but we didn't recognize me at all. I got Charlie Pyle address from her - he is her brother Roy tells me. I intended to call Charlie, he is out but now from Endicott - living in Burbank. Roy had Bob Simon one of the boys at the plant who is a member of the San Jose Jr. C. Y. C. invite in several members of the Jr. Chamber board of direction to have lunch with me. See me 6 of them - Kenneth S. Wood, GREG. MACGREGOR, Frank Marx,

Robert Lindsey, Robert M. Pope & Howard Rollin - we all ate lunch in the plain cafeteria. Roy & Hal ate with us. I enjoyed meeting & talking with the fellow & was glad Roy had arranged for our getting together. Mary & Mother were at the plain at 1:00 - left the box for Roy to mail home. Mary didn't have it more than half full. I was very favorably impressed with everything I saw at the plain - it was pretty much as I had expected - quite small. We left shortly after 1:00 for Fresno - took route #101 to Gilroy & then route #152 down to #99 where we did our first actually doubling back on the same road since we left home - took #99 down to Fresno. Mary & Mother are great on stopping along the road at road side stands - we bought a qt. of big red cherries to eat also stopped at a place for nuts & supper size - bought several boxes to take home some to eat. Also stopped for orange juice, checked in at the RITE MOTEL in Fresno about 4:30 - it was the first time on the trip that we had returned to stay over night for the 2nd time at any one place. Called Howard Bee at the FBI Office & as soon as we checked in we drove down to the office - a nice new bldg. but the office is small. Met Howard Bee & was surprised to

see Ed Yarrowbaugh whom I had met at Endicott, I didn't know he was at Fresno. Howard tried to locate Herb Reynolds for me but had no luck. I was a bit surprised to find that Howard is a young man & a new salesman in IB4. Had dinner at the El Rancho - Howard had discovered that the Reynolds had been staying at the El Rancho but they had moved. After eating we drove down town & looked the show over - couldn't make up our minds on one show so we gave up this idea & I drove on to the Roma Motel just outside of town. I inquired there at the guard house & the watchman gave me several names to call but none of them could help me. I finally called the Chief guard, Mr. Crane, the fellow I had talked with last Sunday. He said he knew where Herb lived & arranged to meet me at the corner of Van Yen & Olive Streets - we drove over there & then followed him around to find no one home after all the trouble. He was very accomodating. Stopped for a soda & then went back to the room. Stopped & took a night shot in color of the El Rancho - the neon lights on the wire steel look so pretty at night. Did some writing & then to bed 11:30.

6/11/47 WEDNESDAY:

A beautiful morning in Fresno - got up about 7:00 - checked out & drove over to the El Rancho for bk. Then stopped at the Atom Photo Shop where I stopped in last Sunday for film - bought a 35 mm. color & a 21 $\frac{1}{2}$ ' length of Plus X 35 mm. The fellow gave me 5 empty Kodak canisters to load - then we fixed me up on black & white. We got down to the IBM Office about 9:00 - Howard Lee introduced me to a number of the fellow in the Office. He called Don Fowler, Office mgr. at Los Angeles to get reservation for me at Breakfast in Hollywood & also to go in a Movie Studio. Howard drove on to the Roma Wine Plant, Mary rode with him in his new red buck & I followed. It was nice seeing Herbie again - he showed us all thru the Roma Winery & gave us the whole story on processing grapes for wine. We saw them bottling both wine & campaign. It was very interesting. Herbie is taking over the job of Chief Accountant when the present man retires in a few months - it sounds like a good spot for Herbie. Left the Winery about 10:30 - bid both Herbie & Howard good-bye & hit the trail for Bakersfield. Stopped twice along the road - once for fruit to eat, Mary got a 2 qt. basket of apricots & another a

basket of plums - also stopped in the heart of the olive growing district to get several jars of choice olives. It was about 1:10 when we got into Bakersfield - I had just time to hurry in the El Tejon Hotel to make the Lions Meeting - I had noticed on the sign coming in town that they meet at 12:15 - They were finished with the meal & their program was a sound slide film on merchandising so the room was darkened. I located the rec'd. & got a card to fill out & send back to Boyd for my attendance. Then I went back to the lobby to meet Mary & Esther. We had lunch in the coffee shop. It was about 2:15 when we left Bakersfield for Los Angeles. It was the hottest driving I had done so far since leaving home. Mary & I took turns driving - we drove thru quite a bit of dust - it was quite windy & the air was filled with dust - so much so it looked like clouds in the air ahead - I had never seen anything like it before. It was interesting driving up thru & over the mountains before hitting Los Angeles. As you come over out of the inland valley on to the Ocean side of the mountain you begin to see some live vegetation on the hills. They do have some rain on the

West side of the coast & rain but the rain doesn't
get you the mountain. Got into San Fernando
about 5:00 - stopped & called Dan Lawler
at the office in L.A. - he said it was impossible
to get reservation for Breakfast in Hollywood,
sold out until July 19th., but he still had
hopes of getting us in one of the Movie Studios.
I arranged to call him in the morning. We
were surprised with Los Angeles it is
spread all over the way. We got on Sepulveda
Blvd. & drove all the way across town on it,
a distance of about 25 to 30 miles. Got into
a lot of traffic as the places were letting out.
Finally the Manhattan Beach & located our
Manhattan Beach Motel. It is a lovely place,
but a bit high, at least for Motel. Paying \$
15.00 for a double room & \$10.00 for the
same type of room with bath, but they had no
single. Mr. Bowlin the manager, a big
jolly fellow & a great talker was of talked
us into staying. There are a lot of Motels all
along the Sepulveda Blvd. on this way but he
claimed they belonged to a Motel Assoc. & all charged
the same price. Took a picture of Mary & Mr.
Bowlin - he was a great talker a lot of fun.
Told him how disappointed we were not to get

Tickets for Bk. in Hollywood & he said his wife had a relative over at the studio & he thought they could get me tickets - he tried but couldn't do it. After checking in about 6:30 we drove down to a drive-in place for some supper. Came back to the Hotel & called Mary Lou Clark from the office. I was surprised to hear how jumbled she talked - you could hardly understand her on the phone. The paralysis of some of her face muscles had apparently effected her speech. Jim was out for the evening so she wanted me to come over to-morrow evening. Mother & Mary wanted to see the beach so I drove them down on the Beach Road in Manhattan Beach. We got out first real look at the Pacific Ocean to-day. I called up again Montecello but found he & his wife had gone out to a movie - talked with his 10 yr. old daughter. I didn't want to waste the evening so I decided to drive on in to Long Beach to see what was going on at the Jockey Club. It was about 18 miles from where we are staying into Long Beach. We were all pleasantly surprised with Long Beach - beautiful big wide streets & all lighted up - very modern place. Drove right down to the Y.

Auditorium & parked the car. Mary & Mother did some window shopping while I attended the Jaycees smoker, it was after 9:00 so the entertainment was already started. It was the typical smoker entertainment - it was supposed to be a stag party but I noticed quite a few girls in the back of the auditorium. I looked around for some of the boys from N.Y. State but couldn't locate them. Saw Tom Baldridge ^{from Va.} Loftum Tatum from Portland Oregon. After Mary & Mother about 10:00 we drove back to Marybatten Beach - got in about 10:30 - wrote some notes & to bed 11:15.

6/12/47 THURSDAY:

A beautiful day at Long Beach - got up about 6:00 & spent about 45 minutes loading the 5 film cartridges I had gotten in Fresno. I worked in the closet which was dark enough. Mary, Mother & I had bk. at a Drive in place near the Marybatten Ranch Motel. I called Marian Montello had a nice chat - learned that her wife was expecting a baby any minute - she doesn't like Calif. & is homesick for Endicott, so Marian thinks she will have to come back east. Also called

May 20th Clark & arranged to see me & Jim this evening. I called Don Lander at the L.A. Office & was disappointed to learn he still didn't have any report on whether we could get into a Movie Studio. Said he wouldn't know until 9:00 so I decided to drive into town to see the Office. It was about 12 miles all the way thru city traffic. Los Angeles sure is spread out. The IBM Office was very nice - was surprised to see so many IBMers that I knew - first the receptionist was Bill Hibberd's sister from Encino whom I recognized - then I saw Winslow who used to be with MacKenzie at Encino & also Dave Jones Jr. who is a salesman in the L.A. Office. Met Don Lander & was pleased to learn that Don had arranged to have Al Levy, one of the salesmen who handles the movie accounts take me thru the Movie Studio tomorrow. Don showed Mary & I thru the Office we met Mrs. O'Malley the IBM rep. & had a nice chat. Since the movie Studio trip didn't materialize for to-day I decided to take in the J. Chambra Conv. at Long Beach - left the Office about 10:00 & drove back to the Movie before going on down to Long Beach - Mary & Foster weren't quite satisfied with the

part of our room at the Tepahatten Ranch so we stopped & inquired at a couple of places & found that comparable accommodations were more at other places so we decided to stay another night.

Got down to Long Beach about 12:30 - parked the car & hurried down to the Auditorium for the Jaycees Luncheon. Mother & Mary were shopping. The Luncheon was right out on the lawn between the Auditorium & the Beach. It was a beautiful set-up & a beautiful day - however it was terribly hot. Met Paul Tabor on the way in & ate with Paul & some of the boys from Ohio - saw Jim Riggs whom I had met before. Dick Parker of Rothen also joined us. The luncheon was put on by the Georgia Jaycees - southern fried chicken & plenty of it. I took some B&W pictures - then took my camera back to the car & got the color camera & the movie camera. It was a beautiful spot for color pictures. Took a whole film of color movies - Selden Waldo presided - I used a telephoto lens & got some close-ups of him & the main speaker. Right in the middle of the talk a Hellcoper came over & landed on the lawn right beside the band stand - it sure interrupted the meeting - one half of the fellow had left right after the lunch was

several & those left were all attracted by the Hellicopter - I felt sorry for the speaker. Seldon apologized to the speaker after he had finished & also asked the Jaycees who had demanded such poor taste as to leave the meeting to also apologize. He was not sure about it - called the fellow in the Helicopter publicly reckless. I got some swell movie of the Helicopter landing - had my telephone box on at the time & we all sat up just right. It would be a well picture. I saw Geo. Morgan & some of the boys from Buffalo - but I didn't see Bill Morgan. Paul Tabor was not of disgusted with the convention - only about 12 came from N.Y. State - Joe Hanna didn't show up & so far Joe Marshall hasn't gone in an appearance. I spent some time after the meeting looking around the place & taking some typical Jo. Chamber shots - by it we are to around that place. Met Dave Young of J. Florida & some of the boys from Miami - there were only about 5 or 6 fellows - however they had a booth & were giving out grapefruit & other fruit juice. Dave told me Bill Long didn't make the trip - I was sorry to hear that. I sat in on part of the General Session in the Auditorium, Lofton Tatum of

Portland Oregon, U.S. J.C.C. Vice Pres. presided. The topic was "Developing World Understanding" - there were about a dozen different speakers taking part & I wondered where Joe Warshak was as I expected to see him among them. Sure enough Joe came dashing in late as usual. I was in the back of the auditorium so when Joe came in I went back to say hello. He stayed & talked a few minutes - told me he & Mairin were finished - they were getting a divorce - according to Joe, Mairin had had another man on the string for a long time & he didn't know it. I asked him about his trip to Europe & learned that he had to give it up as Mairin's lawyer wouldn't let him leave the country. I was quite surprised to hear of all of Joe's trouble however I knew he was leading a rather gay life. He told me Mairin was asking for \$50,000 & \$500 a month - also the home at Lake McDonald & the two cars. Joe sure does like to save. He had to go up on the platform so I didn't have a chance to ask him any details. Met Foster & Gray about 4:00 - we stopped around to the IBM Office & were surprised to find it located on the 5th. floor of a regular office bldg. only a small entrance. I had never

seen a set-up for an IBM Office like it. Many
were in with me. We met Mrs. Stevens the
Office Mgr. - Ray Graham the IBM Mgr. had
gone for the day so we missed seeing him. Mrs.
Stevens treated us very cordially & told us a little
about Long Beach. We stopped around to the
Post Office & were pleased to get a copy of
letter - a long newsy one from Mr. De Voti &
I received a Father's Day card from May Lou
& Barbara - I was much pleased to get it. We
stopped back down to the Beach Walk & got some
souvenirs to send home for the girls. Left L.B.
about 5:15 & drove back to Manhattan Beach -
stopped at a dive-in for some supper. Got cleaned
up a bit & then left the Hotel about 7:30
to drive up to Glendale to see the Clarkes -
had to drive all the way across Los Angeles -
a distance of over 30 miles thru traffic - had
no know it was such a trip I don't whether
we would have made it. It took us over
a hour & a half to get there. They live way
up on the side of a mountain - a lovely home
one you get there. It was nice seeing May
Lou & Jim again - May Lou in better form
I had expected her face much distorted by
the paralysis she had suffered - however it

is quite hard to talk with her. We enjoyed running with the Clarkes - they moved on their other home - it was in nice. Jim is in with a fellow by the name of James & with Bill Pond - they call it James, Pond & Clark - it is a small suff. business of special moderation - he explained they run quite lot of test on new products. Mary Lou asked me to keep Jim in mind if a good job opened up in IBM which made me wonder whether he was getting along well - according to Herbie Reynolds - Jim wasn't doing so well since his other business folded yr. I called Maria Montellos again & talked awhile - asked her to give my regards to Charlie Pope - my old Uncle who is now out here in Burbank. Mary Lou fixed some coffee for me. Oh Yes, I enjoyed seeing Sandra - she sure had grown up since I last saw her & Jim brought little Claudia down so we could see her - she is about 2 yrs. old. Left for on quarter after 1:00 I stopped for a drink & we got back here about 12:30 - we sat up & wrote cards for an hour - I had a lot I wanted to mail from Long Beach to some of the Jr. Claude fellows. To bed 2:00.

6/13/47 FRIDAY

A beautiful day in Los Angeles - got up at 7:00 - Checked out of the Manhattan Beach Hotel & had b.b. at a Drive-in Restaurant near by. Drove on down town to the ILM Office & got there about 9:15 - was disappointed to learn that Al Terry couldn't go with us to get us in the Movie Studio. However Don Lawyer had arranged with the publicity dept. at R.K.O., Jack Grenaro one of the publicity men to take us thru. Drove on over to the studio about 10:00 to meet Jack Grenaro - he was treated in more cordial way in a personally conducted tour of the whole R.K.O. lot. We were in & out of every stage that was in operation. Met several of the movie people - even one actress a Miss Martha Hyer. Saw them testing exposure etc. with several girls for a Western Movie they are going to film. Saw Glenn Gordon, who played in "It's a Wonderful Life" with Jimmy Stewart. We saw several sets for the film they are in production - "I Remember Mama" starring Irene Dunn - one of the sets they were shooting a scene so we got a glimpse of Irene Dunn. The locale

for the picture is San Francisco in 1904 - they had one of the old cable cars there to use in some of the scenes - they had brought it down from San Francisco to use. Jack gave me a very interesting tour - showed me the property now - all kinds of furniture & more to me in pictures - also the house of miniature. The studio or rather lot is just like a little city in itself with streets & all. Left P.T.O. about 12:00 - drove down Sunset Blvd. to Vine & had lunch at Harry Carpenter Drive-in. I tried to get some stiff color but they don't have them in L.A. I guess. About 1:30 we drove out Sunset Blvd. & tried to locate a guide - stopped at a couple of places but there was no one available. Drove on & located a place where they were selling maps for \$1.00 of Hollywood & Beverly Hills showing where the movie people lived. A young fellow who was there started telling me how best to use the map so I asked him how he would like to earn a couple of dollars by going with me as a guide - he took me up on it & we started out - his name was Floyd Jack Allen & what a fellow he turned out to be - had to use the map all the time & didn't even

know how to use it. We could have done much better with our time. He did know the night clubs as he had worked in several of them & also the Hotels. Saw several of the names of actors & actresses, ~~the~~ among them were Samuel Goldwyn, Leslie Howard, Joan Crawford, Irene Dunn, Shirley Temple, Adolph Menjou & others. However the more popular or more important they are the more the places are hid behind shrubbery. Beverly Hills sure is a beautiful place, one of the most beautiful towns I have ever seen. Saw Beverly Hills Hotel & Belair Hotel, Jack took us in the Belair - & I got a couple of pictures. He sure was a fizzle as a guide - we finally let him take a bus back to town about 3:30 - I gave him \$3.00 to cover my bargain & to get him back into town. We were so disgusted by them we decided to leave Los Angeles & head north for Santa Barbara. Drove up the coast road - it was quite a drive - didn't get up to the Santa Barbara Mission until about 6:15 - it was really too late for pictures but I took a couple anyway. Located a very nice place to stay - Reed's Court just on the edge of Santa Barbara - had two rooms & a bath.

on the second floor - first time we had stayed on anything but the first floor. After checking in about 7:30 - we drove down town & ate at a swell eating place, EATON'S. Then window shopped for awhile. Santa Barbara is a very modern little town - some very nice stores. Got talking with a man at a news store about his fancy hand painted ties & learned that he sells ties to Compton Dunn in Binghamton & that he knew the manager of the Sears store in Binghamton - Frank Williams was his name but he couldn't think of the manager's name. Got back to our room about 9:30 - I wrote some of these notes & also some cards. To bed 11:30.

6/14/47 SATURDAY:

Very hazy morning in Santa Barbara. Up at 6:30 - checked out of Reed's Court about 7:30 & we on our way for San Francisco. Took route #1 up the coast - much of it pretty rugged driving - curving road along mountain side & up and down hill most of the way. It was also foggy in places - the fog was coming in off the ocean & going up the mountain side - it sure looked unusual. Mary,

Mother & I got discussing our experience of yesterday & all feel disappointed & sorry we hadn't stayed in L.A. for another night & looked around some more. We really missed a lot of things we would like to have seen. —
It was a very interesting trip up the coast, but too foggy to take many pictures. I did stop & take a couple. Stopped at the Home of Split Pea Soup, Anderson Valley Restaurant in BUELTON - a very nice place to eat. I mailed my last movie film at the Post Office in Buellton. It was an unusual drive up the coast — drove on to Monterey for lunch — ate at Angelos fish house out on the fishing wharf. Had our first real sea food dinner — tried some PIZZA sort of a tomato sauce, for the first time. We looked around town for awhile — I stopped for some movie film & finally located some — got 2 film \$3.85 each, had inquiries about a dozen places along the way the last 2 days & couldn't locate any — felt lucky to get them. I ended we had seen enough of the Beach Road so we took Route #101 from Monterey on up to San Francisco. Had to drive about 20 miles north of

Monterey to hit Route #101. It was shorter that way & it also took us back thru San Jose where I wanted to get a couple of pictures I had missed. At Gilroy we started doubling back again on road we had hit before. Stopped & got a picture of irrigation in a walnut orchard. Mary drove thru San Jose & I took a picture of the Hotel De Anza where I had spoken to the Kiwanis Club - also a picture of the palm tree on main street. It was after 6:00 when we left San Jose - stopped just outside & called Gunnelli in Oakland - talked with Mrs. Gunnell - Roy had gone to Sacramento & wasn't due back until to-morrow so I said I would call to-morrow noon. We took the Bay Shore Highway that way from San Jose to San Francisco but changed over to old Route #101, the King's Highway as it has more motels on it.

Stopped & got a picture of Dimick's Shack where Roy took us for dinner. We started looking for a place to stop about 7:00 but we had left it too late - inquired a dozen or more places as we drove on in toward San Francisco, but they were all filled. We did find one room but it wasn't nice. We

finally got into the city limits of San Francisco & still no place - all hotels filled in & the were many. Decided to call a hotel - called one recommended by Duncan Hines - they were filled but recommended the Carlton Hotel - I called there & was able to get room. It was then after 8:15 - took us over a half hour to drive on down town & locate the Hotel. There was a lot of traffic - Saturday night in a big city like San Francisco, it sure was a bad time to get located in a hotel. Had some difficulty getting the car unloaded - there was a wedding party about to leave the Hotel so a taxi had the only parking place in front of the Hotel tied up - so I had to stop right on the trolley tracks to unload. Boy! I sure wouldn't ^{want to} do that every night. Put the car in a garage for the night. Found the man at the desk, Mr. Joe Brown, very congenial - he is a brother Lion. We found the hotel very comfortable have two rooms - mother a single room on the 2nd. floor for \$3.00 & I a nice double room on the 6th. floor for \$4.00. That is really cheaper than we have to pay at a hotel. However - I don't think mother liked the Hotel idea - but it was

all we could do under the circumstance. As soon as we got checked in I called Dan Ash, tried him along awhile & was really surprised that he finally recognized my voice - he seemed so pleased that I called - wanted me to stay out in the morning & let him show us around town. I took him up on his offer & arranged to meet him at 9:30, he told me just how to get out to his house. - Safay, Mother & I went out to get a taxi to our & me to see some of the town - The cable cars run up & down the street right at the corner of our hotel - I was quite amazed at how they started up & down the hill. Talked Mother & Safay into taking a ride with me. We rode up in the back for awhile & then we looked the bagardin taking down those steep hills. I was almost surprised that the city would permit anything like that to operate. Their safety record must be better than you well expect. We got a front seat on the car for awhile & had a good look at the streets - I was much interested in the - the color had run in the car greatest

it - he used only two long levers - one to
grasp the cable & release it & the other to apply
the brakes on the truck. The other attendant in
the car had to apply brakes on the rear truck
going down grade. It sure seemed like a
very primitive set-up. We were quite sur-
prised to find it so cold in San Francisco -
it got so cold we couldn't stay out in front
on the cable car & had to ^{up Powell & down Bush St.} move inside. We
made the whole loop on the cable car -
had quite a ride. I was quite surprised just
how the darn thing works. We went by
the power house & the operator pointed out
how there is one continuous cable that runs
around the whole loop & goes into the power
house where it turns a large drive wheel
which is powered by a large electric motor. It
gets all its power from ~~the~~ one source. It
sure seems funny to hear the cable running
under the surface of the street all the time.
Looked around town some - it was a very busy
place - I felt a bit out of place wearing my
snow shoes - they don't wear them out here in
San Francisco. Got back to hotel about 10:30 - wrote
some cards - Mary & I both lamented the fact we won't
go much in Los Angeles - but you can see everything. ^{To bed} 11:30.

2/15/47 SUNDAY:

A beautiful day in San Francisco - got up about 6:30 - Mother, May & I went down to breakfast about 7:30 - ate at the little restaurant on the corner. I had all my cameras with me & after eating we walked up two blocks to the garage. I got the car out & we drove out to Don Ash's home. I didn't know just how far it was - we got out there at 46th St. about 9:00 - a whole half hour early as I had told Don I would be out there about 9:30. He was out front wiping off his car. The Ash's live in a very nice house - a typical California & San Francisco home - all built to - gether in a row. Don seemed so pleased to see us. We all went in and met the folks - I was surprised to learn Don's entire family live to - gether in the one house. After Don's Mother & Father, his two brother, his wife & her sister. Don's one brother had married his wife sister - so there are three married couples & his brother all living to - gether quite a house full. Don showed me his dark room he is building - he took up photography a year ago & it has injured his eyes so he is now less taking a course at the

college in photography. Dan looked much thinner, but according to Mary, his wife, he was much better than he was a year ago. Mary said she had lost a hundred pounds — she still looked plenty plump — but I remembered she used to be so fat she was almost a fresh. We had a nice chat with the folks & since they hadn't had breakfast Mother, Mary & I drove on over to the Cliff House which was only a few blocks from their home. Dan & Mary walked over there & met us. I got some movies of the rocks on Seal Rock, used the telephoto lens to get some close-ups. Bay was a swell place to get pictures & when Dan came down he helped me pick out the right spots to get just the right angle. Dan had seen the place before & knew just where to get the best pictures. Dan had his $2\frac{1}{4} \times 3\frac{1}{4}$ Speed Graphic camera with him with his big garter bag so we really looked like a couple of photographers. We walked up top of the hill to get a good picture of Cliff House & Seal Rock. Mary, Mother & Mary Ash spent some time in the World's Largest Gift Shop which is a part of the Cliff House — It was a swell place to buy souvenirs. Dan & Mary Ash rode with us & directed us to

the high lights of San Francisco - drove thru
 part of Golden Gate Park - a beautiful park
 52 blocks long & 4 blocks wide - stopped to see
 the Japanese Garden in the Park. Drove over
 Golden Gate Bridge to back town to see it & to
 say we had driven over it. It really didn't
 seem much bigger than Geo. Washington Bridge
 back East - I really think they make too much
 to do about it - of course it is the largest
 single span suspension bridge. Stopped down
 along the water front & Don showed me the
 headquarters of his sea scouts - Don is very
 active in starting to have several ships of sea
 scouts - he is a commissioner of sea scouts. I
 called Brewster from the Sea Scout Office
 & learned Bunting hadn't gotten home yet. We
 stopped at the Fisherman's Wharf & all had a
 sea food dinner at the famous
 restaurant. I treated Don & May to dinner -
 we all had crab Louis salad - we ate right
 out on the pier among all the fish - plenty
 of atmosphere - however much of it had to be
 屏ed by you now. We all enjoyed the dinner
 never-the-less. After eating we drove up
 the hill to the Stow Market & then up
 the hill to see the view from "The

"Top of the Mark". It really is a marvelous view of San Francisco - Don & I took some pictures. Don had me stop at the cluternational settlement & we all got out & walked thru part of it - the only part of San Francisco that is still reminiscent of the Early Barbary Coast. Drove thru the China Town of San Francisco - the largest Chinatown outside of China itself. We then stopped down town where they turn the cable car around on the famous turn table. I got some movie of them pushing the car around. Then got some movie of a cable car going up one of the steep streets also May driving the car up the street. Another screw had come out of my tripod which just about got it out of commission - Don thought he could fix it so we stopped around to the little repair shop that the FBI maintains at the Bank of America where they have an installation of 35 proof machines - Don showed me the installation which is the largest one we have. While Don was fixing the tripod I called Remmell's to get Remmy - he arranged to meet May & I at the Stolee about 6:30. Drove Don & May out to their house - we stopped around to see the monument donated to the american soldier of the First World War by the

French Government. We sure appreciated Don & May taking their day to show us around - they sure were ideal guides. Drove back down town & put the car in the garage - got back to the hotel about 6:00 - turned around & got cleaned up some. Rummy called from the lobby about 6:30 - May & I went down to meet him & his wife Virginia - we had never met Virginia before. Rummy drove us up to the Mark Hopkins in his Cadillac & we went up to the Top of the Mark. Had a couple of drinks & sat next to one of the big windows where we could look out over all of San Francisco - it sure was a beautiful sight seeing the lights come on all over the city. Enjoyed talking with Rummy & Virginia - they sure are a swell couple. We didn't stay late as Rummy & Virginia had left their 3 boys with her mother & they had to get home. Drove May & I back to the hotel about 8:30. May called North & she took a walk with us around a few blocks to window shop. Returned to our room about 9:30 & I did a lot of writing. We sure had a full day in San Francisco - one I shall always remember. It is quite different there with its steep streets & cable cars. To bed 11:15.

Ah Yes! We reached the 5000 mile mark on the speedometer of the car to-day - that is 5000 miles since we left home - boy, that sure is some trip. It is turning out to be more of a trip than any I ever had imagined.

6/16/47 Monday:

A hazy morning in San Francisco - got up at 6:30 - Mother, Mary & I went out for breakfast. After breakfast they took a walk, I got the car out of the garage - had it washed last night at the garage - they charged $\frac{1}{2}$ 2.00 & put several more molts on the car. I've given up trying to keep the car looking like new. Drove over to the Buick Garage - a huge place - there were 16 cars lined up 4 deep for service jobs. Luckily there was only one garage job ahead of me so I didn't have much of a wait. While they were servicing the car I took my movie camera & got a movie of the unique stop & go traffic signals they are in San Francisco. Had about an hour wait at the garage - got out about 9:30 but spent about a half hour getting some pictures of the cable car & steep streets which I had missed yesterday. Got back to the store about 10:15 - checked out & got

all packed in the car & then drove down to
 the IBM Office - met Harold Friesley one of
 the men in E.W. Div. also saw Paul Well
 who was at Endicott to teach ITK. They stayed
 in all the time the Office. Luther who is in the
 IBM Manager was on vacation so we didn't
 get to meet him. They have a nice Office -
 I think bigger than Los Angeles however Los
 Angeles is supposed to be the larger Office on
 the West Coast. Left the Office about 11:15
 & drove across the Bay Bridge to Oakland -
 The Bay Bridge is really a big bridge - very
 long. We located the IBM Office & went
 in to see Rummel - he showed us around the
 Office & we met a couple of the fellows - it is
 a nice Office. Rummel got our bus ready
 for a tour trip on our trip North to
 Washington. Mary took a picture of me with
 Rummel - I had him come out to the car &
 meet Mary. She just won't get out to come
 in any place. It was just about 12:00
 when we left Oakland - drove on up around
 the Bay & took the San Rafael Ferry over
 the Bay at Richmond to San Quentin -
 Saw the San Quentin ^{state} Penitentiary, Drove in
 to the gate, was going to take a picture

but the guard stopped me, said we close - up pictures
of the prison were allowed. We just looked in but
didn't bother going in - drove back & got a picture
from a distance. Stopped in San Rafael
for lunch - the place Duncan Stine recommended
was closed on Monday so we ate at
a very good Italian Restaurant but couldn't get
fish as we had hoped. I tried some Italian
Ravioli & Spaghetti - didn't like the Ravioli.
We drove right along this afternoon trying
to reach Benbow which Germar had advised
us to stay over night. Couldn't make good
time due to the very crooked road. We were
a bit disappointed in the Redwood Highway -
we had all thought it would be a beautiful
wide straight road. We stopped along the
way about 6:00 & decided to drive in the
Howard Ranch when the great racing horse
Sea Biscuit was raised. We met a man coming
out the lane & he told us the Ranch was
closed after 6:00 so we didn't drive in. Mother
had read in the paper that Sea Biscuit had
died just a few weeks ago so we wouldn't
have seen him anyway. The man told
us Sea Biscuit was 14 yrs. old & had died
of heart trouble. - We got into some of the

Redwoods about our door - Came to the World Famous Home Tree & although it was too dark to take pictures I did take a couple. We drove on about 5 miles & found a lovely double cabin - Reynolds' Redwood Hide-a-way Cabin. It was getting pretty late - about 7:30 & we were damn glad to find such a nice place. After checking in we went over to the lunch room for some supper - no town near by - everything country style but very good. Bought some souvenirs & cards. - The lady had started a fire in Mother's room & it really kept good when we got back to the cabin. We were had a lovely setting - right in a grove of huge redwood trees. They had a picture of our cabin on a postcard - I bought one & sent it to Dad. Wrote some cards - had to light the gas hot water heater to heat water for our shower. Did some writing up the notes & to bed 11:00.

6/17/47 TUESDAY:

A cloudy day in Northern California - got up about 6:30 - left Reynolds' about 7:30 & decided to drive back about 5 miles

To the World Famous Forest Tree to get some pictures. Then stopped back to Redwood for bk. & mailed my 7th. movie film. It was after 8:30 by the time we got under way & we had planned to get an early start. It was a beautiful drive up thru all the Redwood Trees - made a lot of stops - first at the well known Richardson's Grove of big trees. I was disappointed in the light - couldn't take any color pictures & had to have the camera almost wide open $1/40$ f 3.2 & f 4.5 to get black & white pictures. It was a bit hazy & even when the sun did show thru not much of the light got down to the bottom of the large redwoods. They are over 3 hundred feet high & range from 3' in Dia. to 21'. You just have to see them to believe it. Mother & Mary got some souvenirs - stopped to see the Founder's Tree - world's tallest tree, 364 ft. high. Took two pictures of it to get it all. - Stopped at a little place called Crab Beach above Eureka for lunch. I had another crab Louis salad & bought some more souvenirs at Stein's Free Museum. Also stopped at the much advertised 'Tree of Mystery' on the Redwood Highway. It

was terribly commercialized - 50¢ to walk
up a trail to see some of the oddities of
the Redwood Tree. Mother & Mary decided
not to go thru but I went to get some
pictures. - It was well worth the 50¢ -
saw a redwood tree 10' in dia. growing over
a fallen redwood log over 3' in diameter.
This is in Bigley's Believe It or Not. The
log must have laid there nearly 3000 years
& is still sound. - Saw the Cathedral
Tree & the Upside down Tree. They had
little speakers concealed along the trail at
each point of interest thru which you
could listen to a short lecture describing
the thing you saw. Mother & Mary thought
I got gipped but I didn't. We certainly
didn't make good time to-day - the road
was too windy - at Crescent City we took
Route #199 inland & over the Cascade Range
of Mountain - it was all very mountainous
roads & we couldn't make any time - had
to slow down to 20 mph. to get around some
of the trees. We thought we would never
get out of California. - It was about 5:30
when we finally hit the Oregon State line &
I had expected to hit Crater Lake by the

middle of the afternoon. Drove on to make as far as we could toward Crater Lake before turning in. At the little town of Gold Hill we took route #34 across to hit Route #62 to Crater Lake. Tried to locate a Motel about 8:00 - it was getting dark & we were in a rather desolate section. Found a place in the little town of Trail but it wasn't what we wanted - but finally located a very nice place, "Riffles on the Rogue" right along the Rogue River - a great fishing spot. In fact the cabin we had was a regular horsebarn cabin used by parties to stay over the weekend & do horsebacking - had a very nice little kitchen, bath, large bed room & a sleeping room on the porch. As soon as we got checked in we drove back about $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles to the River Rogue Inn, the only place in the vicinity to eat. Got back to the cabin about 9:15 - Mother & Mary were still talking about the 60¢ hamburger we got for supper. We were determined to get to bed early as we had a big day to-morrow to make Aberdeen & we wanted to get an early start. However by the time we got our cards written & shower

it was almost 11:00. May & I slept on the porch - it was a bit cool but we didn't mind it. I like to hear the water ripple in the river. The sun was a grand spot. To bed 11:15.

6/18/47 WEDNESDAY:

A beautiful day in Oregon - got up at 5:30 & checked out of our cabin at the "Riffen on the Rouge" by 6:15 - stopped & took a picture of the entrance - the man & woman who ran the place came out & wished us well on the trip. We stopped at a little restaurant in Prosser a small town about 15 miles from where we stopped for breakfast. Drove in the Western Entrance to Crater Lake Park & were up on the edge of Crater Lake by about 8:30. There was quite a bit of snow along the road on the way up but we were really surprised to find snow banks 15' high up by the lake. The lake which is rated as one of the three most beautiful spots in the world came up to our every expectation. It was a beautiful bright sunny morning to the lake & the re-

sections of the snow capped ridge in it were
gorgeous. I sure had a good time taking pictures.
Got a picture of Mother & Mary having a snow
ball fight in front of the 15th snow bank.
It sure was an interesting spot & one of the
high lights of our trip. Drove out of the
park thru the Eastern Entrance - had some
bad road to drive over for a few miles. The
route #97 & had a well road all the way
in to Bend - I drove 75 & even 80 a lot
of the time - Mother & Mary both slept -
got into Bend about 11:15 & decided to have
lunch in a place recommended by Duncan
Hines, the Pine Tavern - had some more
Crab Louis Salad. We sure are getting our
fill of Crab meat on this trip. I noticed a
lot of fellow coming in the Restaurant & in-
quired of the waiter & learned that it was
the Dr. C. I. C meeting. I went in & introduced
myself - met their President Howard Chase -
also met several of the fellow. They wanted
me to stay & tell them about the convention
at Long Beach but I explained it was in
a hurry & had already eaten lunch. Mother &
Mary did some shopping in the 5 & 10 cent store.
Mary helped me with the driving this afternoon -

had beautiful weather & glorious scenery all the way. Oregon is so much & green compared with California. It was really a nice drive up Route 97 - 50 & 23 to The Dalles on the Columbia River. We had more capped mountain to view most of the time - the Three Sisters Peak & Mount Hood. We were a bit disappointed in the Columbia River Highway - I guess we expected too much - it really isn't nice until you get down near Portland - & a long way down to Bonnyville & the Bonnyville Dam - we made several stops at Look Out or View Point along the way to take some pictures - also the Bridge of the Gods & Bonnyville Dam - and several falls - it was getting too dark for pictures by the time we got in near Portland - got there about 7:00 & called Dorothy & Jack - they had been looking for us this afternoon - arranged with Jack to meet us at the bridge coming into Auburn at 11:30 - the man at the gas station said it was a 4 hr. drive. Looked up a place to eat in Duncan Silver Booth - but they were all on the

wrong side of town — so we gave up & stopped at a little place for fish & chips just before leaving Portland — we had hoped to get some Salmon in as much as we were in the Salmon Country — but as usual they didn't serve it in the restaurant we went in. It was a beautiful drive over thru Vancouver & up thru Washington but it was dark most of the time into Aberdeen — 143 miles from Portland — We came up thru Centralia & drove right along to maintain our schedule of 11:30 — May helped me some with the driving. We had clocked off 6236 miles when we hit Aberdeen — Dorothy & Jack were on the edge of town to meet us & we were there right at 11:30. It sure was good to see them — after we had greeted them we followed them on in to their home. It was good they had met us for it was a difficult place to reach. I was quite surprised to find they have a large dance hall or meeting room on a part of their home. It had been built on headquarters for the Campfire Girls & Dorothy & Jack are now renting it for another organization who had taken it over & only hold about 2 meetings a

a year in the place. Mrs. Coey, Dorothy's
 mother came over & we met her - she
 was very gay & a very pleasant lady.
 Dorothy had fixed some sandwiches &
 coffee for us so we all sat around and
 talked about the trip. Dorothy finally
 produced the mail which she had received
 & was holding for me - she had said
 there was a telegram that had come to-
 day for me & I thought it was probably
 from Mr. Brewster of the Seattle Office
 telling me about the reservation for the
 trip to Victoria. I was very surprised
 & shocked when I opened it to find it
 was from Bay Jawi & found that it
 read "MR. C. A. KIRK DIED MONDAY - DOCTOR
 ORTON WANTS YOU TO CALL HIM IN NEW YORK"
 Gee! That sure was a shock - Mr. Kirk
 must have died in Enzie. Didn't have
 any idea who Orton wanted - thought I
 might even have to fly home or perhaps
 attend some type of service in Seattle while
 on her. Decided to call Orton at 5:30
 or 9:30 N.Y.C. time the next morning.
 Jack started a fire in the big fire
 place in their living room & we all

sat around & chatted until after 2:30. It was about 2:40 when we finally said our last good-night & actually turned in. Jack & Dorothy went over to stay with Mrs. Clegg - just down down the street, & turned their house over to Mother, Mary & me which I thought was damn nice of them. To bed 2:40 - can't quite imagine that Mrs. Kirk is dead. I can feel sorry for his family.

6/19/47 THURSDAY:

A beautiful day in Aberdeen - I was awoken about 5:30 by the telephone ringing - dashed down stairs to the call - the operator had Doctor Olson on the phone from New York City. Dwayne started right in on the subject of job training or education for the Poughkeepsie people & the use of job breakdown, wanted to know why we couldn't use Bruce Brubaker in the program. I knew Bruce had given Dwayne a story that might make it look as though we were not giving proper consideration to using breakdown on every job. I explained to Dwayne that my plan was to have Mrs. Olson give them all

J.T.T. Jim & then have Bruce help them in following them on the breakdown — I'm so damn mad at Bruce I could kick him teeth out for he is just aggravating the situation with Alton. I told Dwayne on arriving during the war had proven that the job breakdown were impractical except for certain high repetitive jobs when there was a high turnover of employees or a lot of new employees to be trained on one job. Dwayne had been talking with Cy & Mr. Elwin & Cy had given him an entirely different indication of intent than he had ^{Dwayne} told me or me. I believe it satisfied with the fact that we do intend to use Bachelor in our program. Alton also brought up the matter of the ^{as} luncheon which was held at Poughkeepsie for the first graduate from the Apprentice program. I didn't even know they had planned to have ~~the~~ a luncheon — apparently when ^{as} they got down there they had decided to hold a little informal get-to-gather to honor the boy. Dwayne was really disturbed that he hadn't been invited — I explained that Dave had apparently thought it not an important enough occasion to bother him — but Dwayne said he was the one to decide that &

that he should have been asked. I told him that
had I been home ^{of course} he would have been.
The third subject was that of Charlie Daly in
the legal dept. at W.H.Q. he is still concerned
as to whether, under the Wage & Hour Law we
can continue to offer some of the courses we had
offered in our General Education Program. Duwayne
was calling Davis & Majed in to W.H.Q. next
Monday to discuss the whole situation & he wanted
me to get my ideas on it. He discussed the
matter to some length & I became very
conscious of the cost of the long coast to
coast telephone conversation. - I was un-
aware that Duwayne didn't even bring up the
matter of Gibbs' death - I finally mentioned
the wire I had received from Davis & then
he said that was really the reason he had
asked me to call - & that the other matter
was just incidental & that he didn't mean
to bother me or interrupt my vacation with a
lot of business. Duwayne said the first
report they had received from France was
that Mr. Gibbs had had an attack of acute
indigestion which was the cause of his death -
he explained that acute indigestion could
cause the heart to be affected which could

in turn came death. Mrs. Kirk had agreed to have an autopsy performed to determine more exactly the cause of death & so far they haven't received any word of the results of the autopsy. According to present plans they, the IBM Party in Europe, were sailing for the States on June 25th, & that the funeral would be held at Endicott on either July 1st or 2nd. I asked Dwayne whether I should change my plans & come on home earlier & he said I shouldn't. He felt sure the funeral wouldn't be earlier than July 1st & of course my plan was to be home June 30th. I asked Dwayne about sending a cable to Mrs. Kirk & he advised my doing it — said they were all doing it at W.H.Q. — Boy! What a telephone call — I bet we talked for nearly a half hour — I'm now glad I reversed the charge. I was too wide awake after the excitement of the road to coast telephone conversation to go back to sleep but I laid down for awhile & did get a short nap. Dorothy & Jack came over about 8:30 and got us some breakfast. I called Am Braumberg at the Seattle Office & canceled our reservation for the boat trip to Victoria. Am explained he was unable to

get space for our car so I don't whether we would wanted to go anyway. Dorothy & Jack suggested we drive up around Olympic National Park & take a ferry across so I gave up on original plan. Art didn't say anything about Mr. Kish dying & since Duwayne had said the information he had given me was confidential I didn't mention it. I was wondering whether the sales office had been notified or not - I should think he would have mentioned it. Jack called a garage & grain mill & also the Aberdeen Plywood Mill & made reservation for us to go thru. Dorothy met Bonnie & her husband Stan Antich at garage over this morning. Bonnie is expecting a baby in a month or so. About 10:30 we left for the Paper & Pulp Mill - Jack, Art, May & I were - we had a guide who took us all thru the place & we saw the entire process of making pulp from the logs for logs to the resulting white paper. It was very interesting. The paper had gone off & they were having some trouble so we didn't see the big paper machine actually in operation. One of the things which fascinated me most was the gondola & the back from the logs with over man very high pressure, 1200 lbs. D". The gondola

into a great plan booth to move him from the shop & back the plan all over the place. He said it was possible to cut a 3' log right in half by leaving the stream of water on it long enough - he demonstrated by allowing it to cut part way thru the log. It was a rather hazardous business especially for Mother or we had to hop on table & stools where the logs were propelled & much of the floor was wet - had to climb up & down steps & along cat walks to get where we could see the operations. The grinding mill was interesting too - it will cut a log as big as a person's body into small chips just like cutting corn thru a silage cutter. On the way out Jack introduced me to Mr. Wood their Engineer - Jack had tried to get a job in the Engineering Dept. but they wanted graduate engineer - Jack did work for a few months in the pulp mill operating one of the big machines. It was about 12:00 when we got on of the Paper & Pulp spil - drove on over to the Plywood spil but they were just leaving for lunch so we decided to come back later - Jack took us down town - I let him drive the Buick - we stopped at the Stobly Lobby & I got 50' feet of 35 m.m. plus x plan - couldn't get the 27 $\frac{1}{2}$ ' length.

Also stopped in a place younger place to get some
empty canvases — 6 of them — they charged me 10¢/each.
 Jack drove me up on the Bel-air Hill to have
 me a good view of the city. It was a very
 nice morning & it took a couple of pictures. Came
 back to the house about 1:00 — Dorothy had
 dinner about ready for me — a well bird —
 she was in a good cook. Jack helped me & I
 loaded a couple of film in the camera so I
 would have film to take more pictures this
 afternoon. About 2:30 Jack drove me down to
 the Abescon Plywood Mill — Mrs. Wynn &
 I went there with Jack. A Mr. Warner,
 Ant. Mgr. & Sales Mgr. for the Mill took me
 on a roundly conducted tour of the entire plant.
 It was very interesting — I even got a couple of
 pictures. He explained the whole process to us.
 We were all quite amazed with the young qua-
tion — it was so interesting to see the
 long logs being peeled off into one huge
 slice about $\frac{1}{8}$ " in thickness or even less. After
 leaving the Mill Jack drove around to the Kelly
 Lobby Hotel to re-arrange the pictures & arrange
 for to-night. After we got back Jack took me
 over to Mrs. Clegg's & showed me the job she
 had done painting the house & building the

from you - he even cut back the eaves of the
 house to make it look more modern. Dorothy had
 dinner for us about 7:30 - another swell meal -
 she sure has to give just the right
 twist on things. After dinner Jack & I got all
 set-up for the picture show in the large
 hall it was an ideal place to show movies.
 Dorothy had her Aunt & Uncle, ^{Mr. & Mrs.} J. O. Cony, Nan &
 Bonnie & her mother over to see the pictures. Her
 Brother Jim & his wife couldn't come. I had seven
 films which I had brought with me - they all
 seemed to enjoy them so much - I was glad I
 had brought them. Dorothy fixed some coffee &
 cake afterward & we all sat around the big
 pictures in the living room & talked. Had
 a very enjoyable evening. We talked until after
 12:00. The folks left about 12:15 & we all
 went to bed - Oh yes! This afternoon we
 stopped by the Western Union Office & I sent a
 cable to Mra. Kirk at the Continental Hotel, Paris,
 France expressing our condolence - "You have our
 deepest & most heartfelt sympathy in your
 bereavement" - It cost 1.84 which was less
 than I expected, however I sent it de-
 layed cable which is less than a regular
 fast cable - however the operator said it

would be received to-morrow. — Jack also took me out ^{to see} ~~to see~~ the location for the Drive-in Stand ^{JACK'S SNACK} that he & Dorothy are building. The carpenter was at work on it & had just the form for the foundation about built. I was surprised to find that don't dig a trench for the foundation — much of Aberdeen is filled in over the bay & you hit water as soon as you start digging down a couple of feet. Jack expects to have the place ready for business by October. He is giving up his job at the city engineering dept. in a few weeks & is going to help the carpenter finish the job.

6/20/47 FRIDAY:

A beautiful day in Aberdeen — got up at 6:00 — Dor & Jack came over & got breakfast about 6:45 — we had just time & coffee so we could make an early start for the beach. Decided to drive down car — Jack & Dorothy drove this part & Mrs. Clegg rode with us. Stopped by & picked up a couple of clam shells — clam gear on Jack called them. It was about 28 miles down to Pacific Beach — we were down there by about 8:00 — just at low tide. We

sure hit it just right. It was the lower tide in 16 years & the lower the tide the more ideal in the condition for clamming. We were sure lucky — it was a bit foggy at the beach at first & it even rained just a little but the sun came out & was really well. Everyone was so excited about getting clam & they were showing in the sand all over the place. We were stuck it rich — I took a few more & some shells & then went right to work with Jack & the rest of them. Only had two shovels so Jack & I did the digging & the rest of them grabbed them for us & carried the clam bags. I never in all my life saw such big clam or the razor back clam they have out here — why some of them were well over 6" long. It sure was fun to dig a hole in the sand & then you you are down in the wet sand, feel around for the clam & when you locate him you hit it out. And how they would hang on to the wet sand with their digger — it was amazing to me how they can dig their way down into the sand — if you don't work fast you just don't get them. I sure got a

pick out of our clam digging spot - it took us only about an hour to get our limit - you are allowed 3 doz. apiece, each one is supposed to dig their own bin this is no check on that, and you are not allowed to take any under 3" long. We didn't make to close a deal on the number we got but this time it was a bit over our limit - even counting everyone in our party & there was 6 or 18 doz. - I soon caught on to how to dig them without breaking the shell - I broke none of them or you getting them at the end. After we left the Beach - we stopped along the road & had some supper and sandwiches then Mrs. Cony had fixed for us. It was better good for it really had a robot getting them done - I actually felt tired & so did Johnnie. We drove on around the Bay to the Quinault Indian Reservation & went out to the Fishing Village. There at the gas station here Peter, one of the Indians, to usher us to look him up. We found Peter buying in some nice big salmon in his boat from the nets. We bought 16 of the big Salmon for $\$5.00$ each. Mrs. Cony said

That was a good price so Mary bought 5 of
 the 16. They weighed about 4 to 5 lbs. &
 Quinault Salmon is supposed to be the
 most choice salmon since they are not as
 large as some of the salmon. According to
 Mrs. Clegg it is too expensive for the consumer
 to can so you can't buy it on the market.
 I don't wonder it is expensive when they get
 \$1.50 for one fish - we paid Pete down near
 \$25.00 for a box full of fish & all he did was
 go out to his net & bring them in to shore.
 We asked him what he was going to do with
 his money & he said "Oh throw it away"
 & that is just what they do with it - said
 he had made \$8,000.00 so far this year.
 We got home about 12:15 & went right
 to work on cleaning the salmon & clams.
 Oh! What a job that was. Jack cleaned the
 fish & the rest of us worked on the Clams.
 They were as a mess to clean. I got some
 pictures of the operation. A Mr. & Mrs. Bigelow
 & Mr. & Mrs. Shaw neighbor of the Cleggs
 stopped in & we met them. Dorothy
 had lunch for us about 2:15 - Jack had
 gotten a couple of crabs so we had crab on-
 the-roast, or in other words in the shell.

We are all getting our sea-food & don't like it! I had called the Birch place for an appointment to get my car greased — They called about 3:15 & I drove right down — took back the magazine & screen for Johnnie to the Hobby Lobby — They were charge enough regular 1.25 just for re-sealing & it is only \$50. back home. — I stopped with the car at the garage — had the pull one front wheel to look at the brake lining as it was squeaking real — I was glad to find that the back brake was clean — it was from that they had become glazed on the tel. They washed it down & repeated the lining. I also had the back tires to clean as the squeak it got on rough road. Did some shopping & got back to Dora & Jack about 5:30 — went over to Mrs. Carey where the folks are all busy cleaning clean & making salmons. I joined in with them on the clean & by then me in a job — you have to get them then them the or for salmon before they are clean & ready to be canned. The red salmon are total good. We have had a bittersweet, Bonnie, Tom, Jack, Dorothy, Mrs. Carey, Mollie, May & I. Mrs. Carey left to go over to Dowling to get clean

for our dinner. We all went over to Jack & Dorothy's for dinner - fried clams & more fried clams - and were they good! Mrs. Carey fried 11 big pans of clams - what a job! I really felt sorry for her - in fact all the folks really met in a busy day for us. We were quite surprised to get so much clams - about 17 pints of salmon & 13 pints of clams. After dinner which was about 9:30 I went back with Mrs. Carey & ground all the clams - it sure looked good to see all that clam meat going thru the meat chopper. Had a nice chat with Mrs. Carey - she had been much impressed with Mother V. & I gathered she thought we were all even nicer than she had imagined. Returned to Dor & Jack about 10:30 & wrote some of these notes - the folks went on to bed - I turned in about 11:15, really tired after a busy day - a really grand day.

6/21/47 SATURDAY:

A hazy morning in Aberdeen but it cleared off & was a beautiful day. Dorothy, Jack & Mrs. Carey came over about 6:15 - I

got up about 5:30 & we were all set to leave on our trip to Victoria by 6:45. We all went in the Buick - six of us made just a load. Didn't bother with any breakfast so we could get an early start. Drove about 30 miles & then stopped at the Guinault Hotel on Guinault Lake for breakfast. They didn't have their coffee shop open so we went in the dining room & after we got all our order in for coffee & toast learned they had only a \$1.00 lb. & charged a dollar no matter what you got - when I heard that I soon changed my mind about eating there. We all got up & left - had some fun talking about the dollar cup of coffee we were near drinking. Drove on a short distance & stopped at a little restaurant along the road. Jack had his camera with him & we both took pictures along the way. Ran into quite a little construction on the road & couldn't make good time. I let Jack drive most of the way. Stopped at Destruction Island & took pictures. We got to Port Angeles about 12:05 & drove right down to the ferry dock. I went in & inquired about the ferry to Victoria & was disappointed to learn that the next

Ferry didn't leave until 3:30 & it was an hour & 40 min. ride across to Victoria - then the returning Ferry left Victoria at 6:30 which meant we would only have a little more than an hour in Victoria & it would take most of that time to get thru customs. The rates were 6.04 for car & 2.34 for each person round trip. We decided not to wait as it would mean getting home around or after mid-night. There are only two ferries each day one at 9:30 & the other at 3:30 - I still don't know why some one in Aberdeen didn't know that so we would have known how to plan our trip. - We continued on around the loop as they call it & thought we would take a Ferry over to Seattle - could see Mt. Baker in the distance most of the way along the northern part of the loop. Had a good view of the Olympic Peak on most of the trip. Drove down along the Hood Canal - Mrs. Carey showed us the road on which the McDonald's live - the lady who wrote "The Egg & I" - we drove back up along the mountain & I took several pictures showing the house for "The Egg & I". We also drove up in to the Ranch, - Frank Thompson, where Mr. & Mrs. Carey used to

visits - took several pictures - it was now
dark in the woods - the time was so late
we had to give up our idea of going to
Seattle & struck straight down for Olympia -
Mother & Mary wanted to get there in time
to do some shopping. Stopped for some lunch
at a little place along the highway. Dorothy
wanted to stop in & have a nice meal of
her favorite at a little town & then return
more late - luckily the folks weren't home.
Finally got to Olympia about 4:45 - & the
stores closed at 5:30 so that gave the girls
some time to shop. We left them off down
town - Dorothy & Jack went with me & we
drove back on the hill to get some pictures of
the Capital Building & also of Mt. Rainier
in the distance. It was amazing to me
that you could see Mt. Rainier so far
away - it is 50 miles from Olympia. The
city of Olympia is the capital of Washington -
they have a lovely capital building - it is
patterned after the Capital in Wash. D. C. After
we picked up Mrs. Carey, Mother & Mary - we
drove all around the Capital grounds - John &
I got some pictures. Oh Yes! I called
Dear ^{at home} Newhouse from Olympia & told

him I planned to drive over to-morrow. He
 had planned to go out of town & was sorry he
 couldn't see me. I sure had tough luck
 making my plans for Seattle. After seeing
 the Capitol we drove around to the Olympia
 Oyster Bar for some of the famous Olympia Oysters
 & was disappointed to learn they weren't serving
 oysters due to the fact they were repairing the
 oyster bed. We did have some seafood for dinner.
 It was just a small place - but recommended
 by Duncan Hines. After eating Jack drove
 us around or rather Dorothy - I let her drive -
 to meet the mother - Mr. & Mrs. W. P. Cook are
 the parents of Jim's wife, Dorothy's brother.
 They have a home right down on Bullitt Cove -
 I got a good picture of Mt. Rainier over the
 water. From there we drove on up the hill
 a mile or so to brother Jim's farm, Carey
 Acres - Jim was disked his peach orchard
 with the new Fordson Tractor he had gotten just
 last Thursday. The man was proud of it - got
 a picture of Jim on his tractor. We all were
 in the house to meet Pat & the two children
 Natasha & Carolyn - two cute little girls. I
 got a few pictures but it was getting very
 late & the night enough light. Jim showed

us around the farm - it is only 20 acre - not
 big in fruit & berries - it seemed he had a
 little of everything & not much of any one thing.
 Terribly old sort of building - I really don't see
 how he could make a living on the place.
 Didn't leave there until about 8:30 to drive
 back to Aberdeen - Dorothy drove all the way
 back - Jack & I sat on the front seat & slept
 most of the way. Got home about 9:30 -
 spent quite some time getting caught up
 on my notes - I felt disappointed about not
 getting to see Victoria & the Mary I just
 wasn't going to get ahead on if saying
 Seattle & that I planned to drive on to
 tomorrow afternoon - she tried to talk me out
 of it so I said I would see how I felt about
 it to-morrow. To bed 11:15.

6/22/47 SUNDAY:

A dull hazy morning in Aberdeen - got
 up about 7:15 - didn't disturb Mary or
 Mother - got dressed & went out to get some
 pictures of Aberdeen which I hadn't gotten.
 Drove down town & got a movie of the
 "Welcome to Aberdeen" sign on the bridge -
 also several pictures of streets & one of

The City Hall where Jack works. Got back to the house about 9:00. Jack & Dorothy came over from Carey's about 9:30 - Dorothy got breakfast for us - after this I decided to get dressed up & to drive over to Seattle this afternoon. I didn't want to go back home & had to say I missed Victoria, Vancouver & Seattle too. Called Mrs. Carey about 10:15 & asked her to come over so I could take some pictures. She was a good sport & came right over - took quite a few pictures of all the folks in front of Dorothy & Jack's house. Also took some color pictures of them in the Rose Garden in the park just across from the house. Mrs. Carey kidded me about looking like the pictures she had seen of me with my suit on. I had worn sport shirt & trousers ever since I arrived & she had never seen any pictures of me in sport clothes. Mary decided to ride to Seattle with me & I sure was glad. We left about 12:00, Mrs. Carey said she would have dinner at 6:00 & wanted us to be sure to be back by that time. We realized it would be a hard drive as it is 110 miles & on Sunday there is a lot of traffic. I drove right along & made it

to the City Limit of Seattle by 2:10 - stopped down town at a little hotel & called Art Brambach - I thought he might be able to show us around the city but he was about to leave for a wedding party. Had a nice chat with him - he told me he had received a wire announcing Mr. Kirlin's death & that further instructions would be issued later. I asked Art whether he thought Kirlin's death would effect the date for the 100% Club & he said it shouldn't effect anything - that IBM for the good of the organization & the people in it had to be bigger than any one or even two men. Art plans to come to the 100% Club in Endicott in August. Mary & I drove on across town - stopped by to have a look at the IBM Office & I took a picture. Had to drive all the way across town to get the Washington Univ. Campus - it wasn't nearly as nice a campus as we had expected, however they have some lovely buildings & there is quite a lot of construction under way. Seattle is a very large sea-port - so I wanted to get a picture of the docks. We drove down to the water front & stopped in a place to get some cards since it had a neon sign on the window which read CHADS - it turned

out to be a volume & the signs mean they
 allowed card playing. It was a very tough
 neighborhood such as you would expect on the
 water front of a large sea-port. Drove by the
 Boeing Airplane Plant in Seattle - left for
 Aberdeen about 4:00 - how the time did
 fly - we meant to leave by 3:30. Stopped
 over Tacoma & took a picture of Fort Lewis.
 Mary wanted it to show Mrs. Gandy &
 Billie Watson - Jack Watson was stationed at
 Fort Lewis or rather Ben Brown, Mrs.
 Watson's daughter's husband was stationed there
 during the war. I drove as fast as possible
 but got in quite a bit of traffic. It was
 about 6:45 when we got back to Mrs. Gandy's
 I was glad to learn she wasn't waiting for
 us. She said she had planned dinner for 7:00
 since we knew we couldn't make it by 6:00. I
 thought that was darn nice of her. She had on
 all out to her house for dinner & had home
 made clam chowder & baked granite salmon.
 Dorothy Ann & Uncle Alvin came over
 with Mrs. von Bob & his wife Blanche & their
 little 2 yr. old son Lee to call. Mrs. Gandy
 wanted more pictures of the dinner table &
 we all at the table so Bob went home

& got his flood light. I used the wide angle lens to get the picture & I hope I got something. Mrs. Carey had me sit at the head of the table & carve the salmon. The clam chowder & the salmon were both swell. Mary & I hadn't taken time to get lunch so we were really hungry. After dinner I visited with the folks for awhile & then Stan & Jack rode down to Stan's gas station "76 Union Gas" with me & we got the car all gassed up ready to start the trip home in the morning. The drive to Seattle today gave the mileage over the 7000 mark since we left home. It will surely be over 10,000 by the time we get home. Stopped in a drug store & got a bottle of C as a little gift for Mrs. Carey. When I got back to the house Jack & Stan helped me pack & load the canned clams & salmon in the car. There were 17 cans of salmon & 13 cans of clam & then Mrs. Carey put in 6 jars of jelly to make it just 3 doz. so there were 3 - One dozen can boxes. I put them on the bottom of the trunk & I hope they ride OK there. We visited with the Careys until about 11:00 & then said our good-bye & returned to Jack & Dorothy's home - to turn in - had quite a little packing & getting things to - gether before

I finally got to bed about 11:45. I hate to think that to-morrow we have to start hitting the trail again.

6/23/47 MONDAY:

A foggy, hazy morning in Aberdeen, got up about 5:30 to be off for Enumclaw by 6:30. Had quite a job getting the car all packed - tried to load it so I wouldn't have to take everything out every night. Dorothy & Jack came over about 6:15, fixed us some coffee & toast.

Mrs. Carey came over to see us off - I got a couple of pictures. We sure did enjoy our visit with the Careys & with Johnnie - in fact Mother, Mary & I were all much impressed with the attention we had received. They sure had gone to a lot of work to show us a good time & we were most appreciative of it. - It was 6:45 when we left & hit the trail for home. Had quite a gale session exchanging notes on our impression of the Careys - they were all very nice. Took Route #410 in to Tacoma & on thru to Mount Rainier National Park. Got off the road a short distance once. It was quite hazy & we couldn't see Mt. Rainier at all on our

way over from Aberdeen. I was quite concerned about not being able to get the picture of Mt. Rainier that I had hoped to get. However by the time we got into the park about 9:45 it had cleared off & was the most beautiful weather imaginable. Big fluffy white clouds & deep blue sky - giving a perfect setting for the snow capped Mt. Rainier - elevation 14,408'. I was simply thrilled with the scenery - I had many drive most of the way up over Chinook Pass - (elevation 6440') so I could be free to take pictures. It was very beautiful - nothing had impressed me so much on the trip as did Mt. Rainier. There was a lot of snow along the road which added to the beauty of the scenery. After leaving the Park we drove thru the Huckle Pass & we were all most surprised to see, just a short distance (15 to 20 miles) from the park we dropped down into the valley where it was very warm & the hills had absolutely no vegetation on them. Followed State #410 on in to Yakima - got there just at 12:00, stopped at Wardell's Restaurant (rec'd. by Duncan Hines) for lunch. Did a little shopping for cards - got the car gassed up & hit the trail again -

North on Route #1 to Ellensburg. It is only a small town but it rates 3rd. in Rockies according to a local guide. Stopped there & got some fruit to eat - apples & cherries - got a picture of Mother & May sitting in front of the little grocery store. Took route #10 & #7 from Ellensburg ~~route~~ to end to Grand Coulee Dam - I did the driving & turned all I could so we might reach the Dam in time for the lecture. We were all surprised to see how desolate the country is across the central part of the state of Washington - it was all a desert - much the same as southern California & New Mexico. It's no wonder they are working on an irrigation system along with the Grand Coulee Dam. — Stopped at the Ginkgo Petrified Forest for a few minutes & got a couple of pictures. — We heard on the car radio the news report of the terrible flood in the middle West & a great blizzard in Yellowstone Park - 3 people killed - suffocated in a car covered by a snow slide. — Also stopped at the Dry Falls State Park & got a picture of the Dry Falls a very unusual spectacle. It was a long stretch across the Grand Coulee Dam & even

with fairly good roads it took us until 5:00 to reach the Dam. We were very disappointed to learn that they closed the Dam to visitors at 4:30 - The hours for trips down into the power house & lectures on the dam were from 9:00 to 4:30. I should think they would extend the hours until at least 5:30 for tourists. We did have a good look at the outside of the Dam - it sure is quite a piece of engineering but no more so than Hoover Dam. Actually I had expected it to be larger from what Mr. Carey had told us, he raved so about Grand Coulee Dam. Actually we didn't get a chance to learn of some of its main features since we missed the lecture. Did some shopping for souvenir & cards & left about 5:45 for Spokane - Mary drove to relieve me - she & mother had slept most of the way across the desert this afternoon. Drove thru some very nice farming country - quite a contrast to the desert. Stopped just outside of Spokane for gas & tried to call Ralph & Deloris Aunt Rose, Mrs. Frank Thomas, but no one answered. Drove on thru Spokane & started looking for a Motel to spend the night. It was nearly 8:00 & getting dark - plenty of motels but most of them will fill

& had 'No Vacancy' signs out. We were afraid
 we had left it too late but finally located
 accomodation at "Eastwood Courts" it was only
 fair - a small house being set up - with
 a single bed in the kitchen. We didn't like
 it but we couldn't be choose so we took it.
 Checked in & then drove back to the TOO HAT
 Diner-in for some supper. I called Aunt Rose's
 number again & got her. She had been ex-
 pecting us & wanted us to stop out. So as
 soon as we finished eating we looked up her
 home. I told her just where we are
 staying. Had a nice visit with Aunt Rose
 in her little home. She had thought we
 would be in Spokane for a day & had
 planned to have a chicken dinner for us
 also have some fruit in for the evening.
 I explained we were in a hurry to get back
 for Mrs. Grib's funeral & couldn't extend our trip
 any. She seemed quite disappointed that we
 were staying to see some of the Beauty spots
 of Spokane. She told us about the High West
 by Greyhound Bus - I was surprised to learn
 that you can go from Spokane to Endicott
 & return by the way of Los Angeles to Spokane
 for \$84.00. That was a reasonable when you
 think we will spend about ~~\$180.00~~ ^{\$180.00} to get

alone for our trip. We back to our room about 10:15 stopped & got some fruit to eat. We all wrote some cards back to the old routine again - after a few days at Aberdeen. Mary & Mother turned in about 11:00 - I turned in about 11:30. Made 505 miles to-day which is a good start on our trip home considering we did quite a bit of ~~the~~ sight seeing.

6/24/47 TUESDAY:

A beautiful morning in Spokane - got up at 6:00 & already the sun was high in the sky. Mother & Mary were pretty tired this morning & were slow getting around. We are getting road weary already, I'm afraid we will be in bad shape by the time we get home. We checked out of Eastwood Courts about 6:45 & hit the trail for Yellowstone - it was a swell day for driving - not too hot but bright & sunny all day. Took Route #10 East to Missoula Montana - drove across the Northern tip of Idaho. Mother & Mary started the day out by taking a nap in the car. Drove about 80 miles before stopping for bk. at a little cafe. Mary drove the car for awhile after bk. & I read the booklet on Grand Coulee Dam, which I had gotten yesterday, to

Mother & May. Learned that the Grand Coule Dam Project is much larger than I had imagined. The Dam itself is three times the size of Hoover Dam & besides the water power there is an even larger job being done on the installation of pumps & the construction of canals to irrigate over a million acres of the land plateau of central Washington. It will be 15 to 20 years before the entire project is completed. I was sorry we missed seeing the Dam at night - they say it is even more impressive under artificial lighting. If we ever come again I shall stay over to really have a good look at the Dam. It really is a tremendous Engineering Feat. - Drove thru beautiful green country most of the morning, went over Lookout Pass, elevation 4738' - got into Missoula about 11:30 on time but we had passed from the Pacific to the Rocky Mountain Time Zone so we had lost an hour & it was 12:30. We had decided to get another color movie film to get some more of Yellowstone Park - I went in over a half dozen stores but couldn't get any - all the stores carrying film were out of 8 mm. color. I doubt whether there was any left in town. We had

lunch at the Florence Hotel Coffee Shop, recommended by Duncan Heier. Left about 2:00 for Yellowstone - listened to several news reports on the radio but heard no further reports on the blizzard in Yellowstone Park. Took Route #10 on thru to Butte Montana. Stopped in Butte & tried at about a dozen different stores to get a colored movie film & was terribly disappointed that I couldn't get one. Inquired at a gas station about the fresh blizzard in Yellowstone & learned it was only up in the North East corner in Cooke's Pass where the elevation is over 11,000'. We were going in the West Entrance & on the Eastern side so it didn't affect us. It was about 6:00 when we left Butte & we noticed most of the hotels were already putting out No Vacancy signs however it was 160 miles to Yellowstone Park & we wanted to get in nearer the park before turning in so we could get in the park early in the morning. Drove thru a lot of very desolate country - no town for miles & no sign of habitation. Didn't see much of anything that looked like accommodation for tourists. We finally stopped at a nice new Cafe & Cabin set-up - called Spottedowen Lodge, just outside of the little town of Ennis.

It was then about 7:15 & they were filled for the night, however the girl called a couple of other places & they were filled too - so she called her Aunt who lived 35 miles down the road & found she had cabin available, so I had some accommodation for the 3 of us. Took a chance on their being OK. We stayed at Frostman Lodge for dinner - service was very slow so we didn't get out & on the road again until after 8:30. It was beginning to get dark by the time we had dinner a few miles it was really dark. The period of dusk out here is very short. After dark it was difficult to read what signs there were along the road & since we didn't know just what the place looked like that we were looking for we were in quite a quandry. - close by one place & then thought it might be Hutchins Cabin the place we were looking for. At this point we discovered we were just about on I. 90 & no town within 35 or 40 miles in either direction. We didn't know whether to turn back a few miles to the place we saw or go on & with not very little gas it was almost a major decision. Mary & Mother were almost panicky for fear we

would have to sleep in our car or walk for gas. Decided to go back & inquire - it was only a small ranch house the rancher told me Hutchins was about 8 mi. on down the road & that there was a gas pump at the place. That sure was good news to me. - We hurried on & finally located the place about 9:20. It was just another old Ranch House & the cabins were anything but modern. The lady showed us a large double cabin with 2 double beds for 3.50 for the three of us & a single one for Mother for 2.00. They were right along a brook & the single one was some distance from the double one so Mother decided she would bunk in with me. There were no indoor facilities had to go down a little board walk to the "john" & draw water from a faucet back of the house. I got a pitcher of water & helped Mother start the little pot-belly stove in our cabin. Evenings are very cool out here & it sure felt good. We had some fun kidding about the drawn curtain between the beds - called it "The Wall of Jerico". As usual Mary turned in early about 10:30. Mother & I wrote some cards & I wrote some of the notes. The star had really heated up the place & it was very cozy. TURNED IN about 11:15.

6/25/47 WEDNESDAY:

A beautiful day for our tour of Yellowstone Park - got up about 6:45 - slept a bit later than usual as the mail at the house here and the park didn't open until 8:00. Started a fire in the pot-belly stove to take the chill off the cabin & also to heat some water to start with. The chickens were walking all around the place when I came out - some real rural atmosphere. I took a couple of pictures of our cabin - got one of Mother coming out of the little out house - she was really nice to me - said she wouldn't let me take any more pictures of her & she wouldn't take any of my wife. I was too concerned about her being mad for I knew she would soon get over it. Got ten gallons of gas from the rancher before leaving about 7:30 for West Yellowstone. It was 38 miles - had breakfast & got the car gassed up before entering the park. I made a last frantic attempt to get an 8mm. color film but places in West Yellowstone that sold film had no 8mm. movie film. Gee! I was disappointed, for it was a beautiful day & I had planned to get movies of the bear & Old Faithful in Yellowstone. Consol'd myself by

Thinking I would at least get some good color slides. It was 9:30 when we finally drove in the West Entrance of Yellowstone Park. I let Mary drive in & I got a picture of her coming thru the gate. We noticed on a sign that the park opened at 7:00 instead of 8:00. Had we known that I would have gotten around earlier. It was a shame we didn't get in the park earlier as it was a beautiful morning. I was surprised to find so much traffic in the park - the man at the gas station told us that there had been over 32,000 to visit the Park so far this year & that the daily traffic was reaching almost record heights & the real height of the season isn't until late July & early August. It is certainly going to be a record year for the tourist business. I almost wish I had some kind of business which catered to the tourist trade. — The roads in the park were good & they allow you to drive 45 mi/hr. more please, however you can't make any time due to the traffic — to some of the cars with trailers just moving along. We drove in to Madison Junction & then turned North to Teton Junction to see the points of interest listed on the map in the Mayne Guide which I had gotten before entering the park. I wished

I had seen the guide earlier I would have come in the Northern Entrance of the Park & road doubling back from Yerrie Junction to Madison Junction. As it was we missed seeing the Mammoth Hot Spring which is just inside the Northern Entrance. The first real point of interest was the Beryl Spring, a very impressive hot bubbling spring shooting hissing steam which smelled of sulphur fumes. It was the first I had ever seen anything like it & it was very fascinating. Hurried on to the Yerrie Geyser Basin & Artist Paint Pot - was fascinated even more with the many geysers & the bubbling mud. There were a lot of tourists taking in all the points of interest in the park & most of them had cameras - however I didn't see anyone equiped with two lenses. At Yerrie Junction we doubled back to Madison Junction & took the road around the lower loop - got right in the middle of a procession of sightseeing buses - about 8 bus loads of people, from some train I suppose. We saw a couple of the buffalo grazing out on one of the meadows - stopped & had a good look at them from the binocular. I understand there are over a thousand buffalo in the park, but

we saw only these two. Drove on & stopped at first the Lower Geyser Basin & then Midway Geyser Basin - they were very much alike - numerous geysers & boiling mud pots with board walks arranged so you could walk out over the colorful lava like soil & water to vantage points to view the geysers at close range. I had a real picnic taking pictures - the sun & sky were just right & with such unusual sights it sure was a thrill for me. However there were so many geysers that they soon became common place - in fact Mother & May wouldn't even bother to get out of the car to see some of them. - It really is an amazing thing - you have to see it almost to believe it - hot steaming water coming out of the ground all over the place. You could see places along the road & along the river where steam was coming out of the ground. Some of these at times were, I suppose, small geysers. I was surprised to learn that there are two geysers in the park that are even larger than Old Faithful but they erupt much less frequently & at irregular intervals. The largest one which erupts to a height 50' higher than Old Faithful erupts only every 6 to 16 days. We had a good look at the well

Lower Wyoming Glory Pool - We each threw a coin in & made a wish. A sign at the pool said that this was the only pool in the park with a bank account - it emptied recently & threw out \$289.50 which had been tossed in by tourists. Drove on to the Upper Geyser Basin & Old Faithful Inn - which is a beautiful place - it was about 1:00 & Old Faithful was due to erupt again until about 1:45 so we did some shopping for cards & souvenirs. Walked out to see Old Faithful about 1:30 - It erupts every 66 minutes & was due about 1:40. There were several hundred people gathered around to see the spectacle - many of them I suppose, like myself, there to witness it for the first time. Mother & Mary had seen it when they were on to Yellowstone in 1934. Mother was very close & sat on one of the logs to watch it. Mary & I sat back some distance so we could get the whole thing in the picture. Mary took a couple pictures with the Leica loaded with Black & White Film & I got a couple of color slides. There were dozens of people standing around with cameras. Old Faithful put on a grand show for us & the sun was just right for the pictures I should have some swell pictures.

The eruption only lasts about a minute or two & is at its peak only for a few seconds. We had time however to each get a couple of pictures. Walked back to the Inn & had a sandwich for lunch. Took some pictures & stopped for swimming. Then about 2:30 we started on around the loop. Old Faithful was about due to erupt again but we were in a rush to get up to the Grand Canyon of the Yellowstone so we didn't wait. It had begun to cloud over some so I wasn't interested in getting another picture. We hadn't driven far before we saw some cars parked along the road & sure enough there was a big black bear up by one of the cars. Mary was driving - she stopped & I jumped out with my camera to get some pictures. The old Mother Bear had two little cubs with her - the ideal set-up for pictures. I sure got all excited - it was a real thrill. I got several pictures - was so excited I forgot that the rules of the park prohibit feeding the bear & I had ^{only} ~~many~~ hand me some pea-nut brittle to toss to the bear. In about two minutes there was a regular traffic jam - everyone stopped to see the bear. The cubs ran off into the woods & the old bear followed. I was sure glad we got to see at least 3 bear. Drove on up around Yellow-

stone Lake - it cleared off again & the lake was
more beautiful - on every turn of the road you saw
another beautiful picture. I took several pictures. Drove
on up past Lake Junction & stopped at the Mud
Volcano & Dragon Mouth Spring, both amazing sights.
It began looking very stormy & even rained a few big
drops. Gee! I sure was disappointed for I wanted to
get a couple nice color pictures of the Grand Canyon of
the Yellowstone. It was about 5:30 by the time
we got up to the falls to the canyon. Stopped &
took a picture of the Upper Falls & then drove on to
Imagination Point - walked out on the cat walk to
the observation platform overlooking the canyon. Oh!
What a geyser sight, but what a disappointment for me -
it had clouded over & there was absolutely no sun - it
even rained a little, however most of the clouds were
just wind clouds, for it blew almost a hurricane - it
was really dangerous to stand out there on the
observation platform. Mother & Mary hurried back to the
car - I was really afraid the wind might blow the
camera out of my hand so I took a couple of shots
to get out of there. What terrible condition under which
to take pictures. We started back down the loop &
made a couple stops along the canyon. Drove in
to Artist Point & by this time the sun came
out again. I got my camera & hurriedly took a

couple of stops before it went under the clouds again. Got on with a rainbow over the Canyon which should be really grand. It was nearly 6:00 so we stopped in the Canyon Lodge thinking we would have dinner there in the Coffee Shop - did some shopping in the souvenir shop - got an Indian Sewing Bag for Mrs. De Venti & a Mexican Painted Plate. There was too many lined up waiting to get in the Coffee Shop so we had a soda at the fountain & decided to wait later to eat dinner. Drove on back to Lake Junction - made a couple of stops to see things we missed on our way up. At Lake Junction we took the road out to the East Entrance - stopped at Fisherman Bridge to get a couple of pictures & stopped in the large cafeteria there for supper. Mary drove the 27 miles out to the East Entrance of the Park - it was almost 8:00 by the time we left the Park. It was pretty near dark but I took a couple of pictures of Mary driving out of the gate. Stopped a little way out of the park & got the car game up. Looked at a cabin but decided to drive on thru to Cody - a distance of about 53 miles. It soon got dark, but it was a little vanity to see the roads under night conditions. I drove & we really made good time - got into Cody about 9:15 - we drove by the Shoshone Reservoir & then the Canyon by the Shoshone Dam. I never had driven over such narrow winding road & thru so many tunnels. We stopped & took a look at the dam, but it was too dark to see much. I was sorry we couldn't have seen it by day light for I imagine it is really quite a sight. The Shoshone Dam is one of the biggest dams in the world. We found all the Motels & Tourism completely - stopped at one to inquire & the man then called a tourist home in town - he even rode in to town with us to show us the place. It was a new house in a new development & the lady had fixed up a couple of rooms in the basement - one room was taken & she offered to

put a cot in the other one for me. It was a very nice clean place & she only asked \$5.00 so we decided to take it as it was too late to be choosing & we were all plenty tired. We were surprised to learn there was a family of 5 in the other room. Had to wait awhile for the roll-away bed which the man at the house had to get from the tourist court for mother. Mother didn't seem at all happy with the set-up, as a matter of fact more of us liked it but what bothered me was the fact that Mother indicated she thought I should sleep on the little roll-away bed - I thought it was quite a concession to allow her to sleep in our room without the further concession of giving up my bed with my wife. I made a vow right there that we wouldn't accept such a set-up again. After this we are going to keep looking until we can locate two room or two cabins. After we finally got settled I wrote some cards

* & after Mother & Mary had retired I loaded a film carriage. To bed 11:30 - really much too late.

(Mother always writes cards for about an hour every night.)

